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RECORDS

OF THE

TOWN OF TISBURY,

MASS.,

BEGINNING JUNE 29, 1669, AND ENDING MAY 16, 1864.

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TOWN CLERK'S NOTE.

The vote under the authority of which this book of records was printed was passed at the annual town meeting held March 26, 1901, and reads as follows: —

Voted, That the town clerk, with the approval of the selectmen, be instructed to have printed 500 copies of the records of the town, including proprietors' records to the beginning of the town's history, when he shall have completed the copying of the same up to the year 1865, this not to include the records of births, marriages and deaths.*

* The old vital records are complete in a new copy from 1669 to 1844.

TOWN CHARTER.

Francis Lobelace, Esq: one of the Gentlemen of his Maties Honble Privy Chamb^{r} and Governo^{r} Gen^{ll} under his Royall Highness James Duke of Yorke and Albany &c of all his Territorjes in America: To all to whom these Presents shall come sendeth Greeting: Whereas there is a certain Island wthin these his Royall High^{ss} his Territorjes lyeing & being to ye North west of ye Island Nantuckett wch said Island was heretofore granted unto Thomas Mayhew Senr & Thomas Mayhew Junr his son by James Forrett Agent to William Earl of Sterling in whom ye Governm^{t} then was and by them a pporcon neare ye middle of ye said Island on ye south side thereof granted to several Inhabitants, Freeholders there for a Towne-ship, who have made purchase of ye Indjan Right, ye said Towne being formerly known by ye name of Middletown, ye p^{r}cincts whereof are bounded on ye East by ye Land heretofore belonging to ye Sachem Towonquateck, on ye West by Nashowakemmuck, on ye South by Qua-niems & a fresh Pond & on ye North by ye Sound: Now for a Confirmation unto ye p^{r}sent Inhabitants, Freeholders there & their Associates in theire possession & enjoym^{t} of ye p^{r}misses Know ye y^{t} by vertue of ye Commission & Authority unto me given by his Royall Highness upon whom as well by ye resignation & Assignem of ye Heires of ye said William Earle of Sterling as allso by ye Grant & Patent from his Royall Matie Charles ye second ye propriety & Governm^{t} of Long Island, Martins Vineyard, Nantuckett & all ye Islands adjacent amongst other things is settled, I have given & granted & by these p^{r}sents doe hereby give Ratify Confirme & Grant unto ye p^{r}sent Inhabitants, Freeholders & their Associates their Heires Successo^{rs} & Assignes ye Land whereon ye said Towne is settled togeth^{r} wth all ye Lands, Soyles, Woods, Meadows Pastures, Marshes, Waters, Fishing, Hawking, Hunting & Fowling wthin ye Bounds & Limits aforedescribed and all the other Profitts Comoditjes, Emolum^{ts} & Hereditaments to ye s^{d} Town & Land belonging or in any wise appertaining: The tenure whereof is to be according to ye Custom of ye Mannor of East Greenwich in ye County of

Kent in England, in free & comon soccage & by fealty only: And ye s^d^ Towne wch for ye future shall be called by ye name of Tisbury & by that name & Style be distinguish^t^ & known in all Bargaines & Sales, Deeds, Records & Writeings shall be held deemed reputed taken & bee an Entjre Enfranchised Towneship of itselfe & shall always from time to time have hold & enjoy like & equall priviledges wth other Townes w^th^in ye Governm^t^ & shall in noe manner or any wise be under ye Rule Order or Direction of any other place, but in all matt^rs^ of Governm^t^ shall be Ruled ordered & Directed according to ye Instructions I have already given or hereafter shall give for ye good & welfare of ye s^d^ Inhabit^ts^ by ye advice of my Councill: To have and to hold ye said Town wth ye Land thereunto belonging wth all & singular ye Appertenances & p^r^misses unto ye said Inhabit^s^ Freeholders & theire Associates their Heires Successo^rs^ & Assignes to ye pper use & Behoof of ye said Inhabit^s^ Freeholders & theire Associates their Heires Successors & assignes forever: They ye said Inhabitants & their Associates theire Heires Successors & Assignes yielding rendring & paying yearly & every years unto His Royall Highness ye Duke of Yorke his Heires & Assignes or to such Governo^r^ or Governor^s^ as from time to time shall be by him constituted & appointed as an Acknowledgment Two Barrells of Good Merchantable Cod-fish to be delivered at ye Bridge in this City. Given under my Hand and Sealed wth my Seale & wth ye Seale of ye Province at Forte James in New Yorke on ye Island of Manhattans this eighth day of July in ye three and twentyeth yeare of ye Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles ye Second by ye Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of ye Faith &c & in ye yeare of o^r^ Lord God One Thousand six hundred seaventy & one.

Recorded by Order of ye Governo^r^
MATTHIAS NICOLLS *Sec*

FRANCIS LOVELACE

[SEAL PENDANT]

A true copy of the town charter, taken from the original parchment now on file in this office.

Attest: WM. S. SWIFT,
Town Clerk of Tisbury.

TISBURY, MASS., Jan. 18, 1902.

[SEAL.]

PREFACE.

The custom of keeping town records, as undertaken by the founders of New England, was a development of the system in vogue in Old England at the time of the Puritan emigration to our shores. In England the unit of organized communities was the parish, and the records required by law to be kept for this parochial unit related only to the vital statistics of marriages, baptisms, burials, and a few other matters of an ecclesiastical character. The rector or vicar of the parish was the clerk, who had custody of these books or registers, and they were in effect nothing more than the records of the established church, its clergy, officials and its parishioners in that particular community. No such thing existed as records relating to the material interests of the parishes, excepting in towns having a mayor and corporation, such as London, Exeter, Bristol, which were required to keep municipal records.

The social system devised by our forefathers was based on the separation of the church and state, whereby the unit of the community was the town, which cared for the material interests; and the church, as subordinate, was concerned only in the spiritual welfare of the citizens. No matter how small the town at its beginning, it was a political entity in the colony, independent in its functions under the laws established for its government. The first duty of the freeholders or proprietors who had been incorporated into a body politic as a town was to procure "a suitable book," and keep therein a true record of the acts of the townsmen in their meetings legally assembled by warrant. In making these records a new departure in the matter of vital statistics was developed, — that of recording the births and deaths of the residents, rather than the baptisms and burials. This latter plan, as in operation

in the English parishes, was continued by the churches here, and thus there exists with us a double record of the coming in and the going out of the world of the individual of a community, each record supplementing the other.

The people of the Vineyard, who came largely from the Massachusetts Bay and Plymouth colonies, brought with them this custom, and although for many years outside the jurisdiction of either colony, yet the keeping of town records was established here with the first settlement at Edgartown. Although Tisbury was not settled till a quarter of a century later, yet its records are the oldest original volumes of town records on the Vineyard now extant.*

These ancient records which follow in this volume consist of two folio books. The first in point of age is a thin volume of 50 pages, bound loosely in paper, and was recently recovered by the town clerk, and remains in a fair state of preservation. It measures 8 by 13 inches, and its earliest entries are in the handwriting of Thomas[3] Mayhew (grandson of the governor), the first town clerk of Tisbury whose name has come down to us as acting in that capacity. The earliest record in this book is the deed of Benjamin Church, the noted Indian fighter, to Joseph Merry, dated Nov. 19, 1669, conveying the mill and its privilege, then situated on the Tiasquin or New Mill River, in the present town of West Tisbury, where for many years after the Look family owned and operated a grist mill. The last entry in this book is dated March 11, 168$\frac{3}{4}$, and appears on page 17 of the printed volume.

The second book is much larger than the first, and is the "new boock" referred to in the vote of Dec. 4, 1689 (*vide* page 22), which the freeholders procured in order that "all records of or in y^{e} old books and loose papers of consarnment *sutch as they shall see convenant*" might be entered by the town clerk. This qualifying clause, italicized, leaves to our imagination the anxious task of estimating how much

* The town records of Edgartown are a copy of the original, which have disappeared. The oldest book dates from about 1730, when the transcribing was undertaken by the town clerk. It is probable that the early records were in small books and "loose papers," as in Tisbury, and were destroyed after the copy was made. The Chilmark records begin in 1704.

interesting and valuable matter was discarded by the committee as not of sufficient "consarnment" to be transcribed. That much was left out is certain, for this second volume does not contain anything from the older volume above described. It is bound in vellum, measures 8 by 12 inches, and has been entirely filled from cover to cover by the economical clerks of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. The records were at first entered at both ends indiscriminately, without chronological order; and this double-headed plan, with duplicate pagination, makes a resulting confusion of dates, sequences and subjects, that renders an examination of it for a special object a tedious task. In the printed copy the chronological sequence has been wisely restored, for purposes of convenient reference, without in any way diminishing its record value. This book, hitherto regarded as our oldest record, until the recovery of the other, was begun in 1690 by Benjamin Skiffe, then "toun clarck," and its earliest entry is under date of March 17, 1687, recording his election to that office. Thus it will be seen that a hiatus exists between the last entry of the first book, March 11, 168$\frac{3}{4}$, and March 17, 1687, indicating that the records of three whole years are missing from one of the two books, probably the first. That much of value has disappeared becomes evident to one who has had occasion, as the writer has, to search these volumes for material that should be there. As an example of an important record not to be found in either book, is the following copy, certified as "taken out of the toune ritinges this 14 of Martch 1684 by me Nathan Skiff Clark of Tisbury." This was found by the writer recently among the archives of the Supreme Judicial Court at Boston, where it probably had figured in some early law suit. It is here inserted for preservation, on account of its historical value: —

[Supreme Judicial Court Files, No. 4974.]

Wheras we whose names are under writen have obtained liberty of Mr. Thomas Mayhew to buy & purchas land within the bounds & limits of Taakimmy upon the vinyard this may signifie unto men that we willi: Pebodie Josiah Standish James Allen and James Skiffe have made purchas of certaine Lands within the above saide bound with a purpos to people or plant the same and in

order thereunto have devided the whole into twelv partes or shares payable to the charges of the whole purchas besids one lott for the mill on for a minister and one lott for John Eddy if he com according to Compacicion and further we have admitted of several persons to have thar severall shares both upland and meadow land allreddy purchased or to be purchased alwayes ꝑvided that the persons admited shall pay or cause to be payed their just proportion of cost and charg justly arisin thereupon unto the above named willi pebodie, Josias Standish and James Allen or their assignes and in consideration whereof we the above named william pebodie, Josias Standish, James Allen and James Skiffe, doe admit of Isaac Robinson, James Skiffe Sinour Simon Athearn, Jeramiah Whitne and John Rogers to be full and joynt parcherais with and to have full Right and title to the whole with our selves: allsoe we have admitted of Thomas Mayhow Juner who is to pay five pounds to his brother Matthew Mayhew for and in consideration of a parcell of lande purchased by willi: pebodie Josias Standish and James Allen of Matthew Mayhew about holmes hole as may apere by a deed under his hand which parsall of land is to belong unto the whole purchase of takimmy.

May 20 1671
witness hereunto
THOMAS BONI
The mark N of
NATHANIEL BRUSTER

WILLIAM PABODIE
JAMES ALLEN
JAMES SKIFFE
JOSIAS STANDISH

To this legalized depletion of the records of our town, sanctioned by the early freeholders in 1689, must be added subsequent losses, which have in all probability further reduced the completeness which we should much desire to find. In 1716, under the clerkship of Robert Cathcart, a portion of the records in his custody were stolen, and had not been recovered as late as 1754, as appears by the following affidavits: —

[SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT FILES, No. 72789.]

The Deposition of Mr. Abner West of Homeshole in Tisbury of seventy years old. Testifieth and Saith that About the year A. D. 1716 he Living then Near Mr. Robert Cathcart of said town of Tisbury he Understood that Said Cathcarts Shop was Broken Open and the book in which Records were was Stolen and Never after all found" &c &c. July 17. 1754

The Deposition of Mrs Jane West of Tisbury being seventy two years old. Testifieth and Saith that She living near Mr. Robert Cathcart of Tisbury The Common talk was that said Cathcarts Shop was Broken Open and many things Stolen and Particular the Town Book of Records & that she always Understood he was Town and Proprietors Clerk and that some part of said book was found and Never heard that the other part of said book was ever found" &c &c. July 17. 1754

What records are involved in this loss may never be known. Possibly it was an early "Proprietors" record, for it was customary to have separate volumes for the minutes of proceedings of the townsmen and freeholders, the business of each being conducted independently. It may be surmised that the theft occurred in connection with the suit at law which arose between Joseph Briggs, plaintiff, and the Proprietors of Takemmy, *alias* Tisbury, and was first heard March, 1716–17, in our local courts (see pages 64, 65), and by the plaintiff appealed to the Superior Court at Plymouth (page 67). It was an important suit, involving the validity of the divisions of the common land into sixteen shares, and many interests were at stake.*

So far as known, these are the only vicissitudes, accidents and losses to which our early records have been subjected; and when it is remembered that for two centuries they have been in the official keeping of so many persons, often unsafely stored in private houses, it is matter for

* The property involved was the proprietor's "share" in the "home lot" of William Pabodie, which he had sold in 1672 to George Russell of Scituate, and which was laid out on the west bank of the Old Mill River, on the north side of the "Scotchman's Bridge" road. Through the early deaths of Russell and his only son Samuel as heir, and the remarriage of Samuel's widow to Cornelius Briggs, all being non-residents, the ownership became dormant, but was finally revived thirty years after, in 1716, by Joseph Briggs, son of Cornelius, who laid claim to the one-sixteenth, or the proprietor's share, belonging to the Pabodie lot. It appears that in 1683 Simon Athearn had bought of Cornelius Briggs a quit-claim of his and his wife's interest in the lot, together with the proprietor's "share" thereto belonging in the undivided lands in the town. The "home lot" was sold the next year, but the "share" was retained by Athearn, and he participated in all the land divisions on its account until his death in 1715, when it descended to Samuel Athearn, his son, which accounts for his connection with the suit as the principal person affected (see pages 67, 68). It will thus be seen that much depended on the issue of the case, and the early records became an important factor to the litigants. This probably explains the loss described.

congratulation to our citizens that these priceless volumes are now to be placed forever beyond the reach of loss by theft, fire, and that equally destructive, though slower, agency, "the gnawing tooth of Time." This satisfaction must be felt not only by the present citizens of Tisbury, but by that innumerable body of descendants of her early settlers who are now scattered all over the land.

To the patriotic interest of one of her loyal sons, the present town clerk, Mr. William S. Swift, must the credit for the inception and completion of this splendid work be given. The deciphering of the difficult and almost illegible writing of that early period was begun by him in 1894, and continued carefully and zealously during the spare hours of a busy life, until he had completed the labor of transcription. To any one who has not been familiar with such work this statement may convey slight significance of the toil and patience involved in securing a correct copy of these ancient records. Having had special opportunities for examining them in connection with my work upon the history of Martha's Vineyard, I can testify to the accuracy of his work, and students and readers may be assured of the correctness of the copy as printed. The town owes its efficient clerk a debt of gratitude for this "labor of love," which he has now so admirably concluded in the following pages.

Nor would this reference to his work be entirely accurate if it failed to mention a joint laborer who has been from the early beginnings of the greatest service in the work of transcribing and comparing, — Miss Jennie W. Cleveland, the assistant town clerk. To her must be granted a share of the acknowledgment which we, as citizens of the old town, feel is due for this permanent preservation of its records. These books, together with the old parchment charter, granted by Lord Lovelace in 1671, — the only one surviving of the three then granted, — constitute the oldest original historic muniments of the Vineyard, and it is of more than local concern that they should be made available for future generations.

CHARLES E. BANKS, M.D.

Jan. 20, 1903.

Tisbury Town Records.

This is The Town Booke or Recordes of Tysbury William peabody Josiah Standish James Allin and James Skiff Being purchasers doth Chuse Them Asotiates to Settell the town tysbury

℘ me

Know all men by these presents that I John Eddy of the town of great-harbour upon ye Vineyeard do for myself my heires and assignes sell unto William Pebody Josias Standish and James Allin I say I do sell my whole accomodations lying at holmes his hole being on sixth part of that which was bought of ye Indians by thomas Layton of Rode Island and this I do for and in consideration that y^e^ for s'd William Pebody Josias Standish and James Allin are to lett me ye said Eddy have five pounds worth of Land at Takemmy at the same Rate as they bought it of ye Indians provided that ye sd Eddy demand it within two years after the date hereofe as also they shall let me have one Lote among them to live upon I ye sd Eddy paying for it at ye rate y^t^ they buy of ye Indians the fores'd five pounds worths to be part of the Lote if I do not demand ye Land and live upon it then to pay me five pounds at ye end of ye s'd 2 years the payment to made in current pay at prices current and in wittness of ye premises I have hereunto set my hand this 29 of June 1669

Memorandum — y^t^ the lote mentioned is to be one whole accomodation of ye town now to be setled and y^t^ if ye town be not settled then ye fores'd land at holmes his hole to be returned to me ye s'd Eddy in wittness to all ye premises I have set hereunto my hand the day and year above s'd

John Eddy

Entered October 20th 1690 AD

witness mathew mayhew John Rogeres

Know all men by these presents that I Benjaman Church Mill wright of the towne of duxburie ine the colonie of Newplimouth have for my selfe my heirs executors Administrators and assighnes bargained for and sold unto Joseph Merry of the towne of Hampton in the county of Norflek in the Massachusets in new england unto him his heirs Executors administrators and Assighnes to have & to hould for ever to say one mill with all the Rights titles and privelledges therunto Belonging the which Mill standeth uppon the westermost Brook of Takemmy uppon marthas Vineyard as also one Eighth part of the first purchas of land at the Beforesaid Takemmy Bought of Josias sachim with all Rights titles and priveledges to the said land Belonging: which Mill and Land aforesaid I the Abovesaid church have sould as abovesaid unto Joseph Merry for and in consideration of one hundred and twenty pounds the which summe I the said church doe acknowledge to have Receved of the abovesaid merry to my satisfaction by Bills and in witnss of the abovesaid sale I the said Benjamin church doe by thease presents deliver unto the Beforesaid Joseph Merry the beforesaid Mill and land as aforesaid and for the Ratification of the premises I have caused this my deed to be made and in witness heerof have set heerunto My hand and seall in the year of our Lord one Thousand six hundred sixty and nine And the nineteenth of november

BENIAMIN CHURCH

Sighned Sealed
and delivered in presence
of us
HIRHAM SARSON
MATTHEW MAYHEW

This Is a true coppy taken
By me THOMAS MAYHEW
clark

ffor as much as I Josias alias Katanummin Sachem of Tackamy have formerly sold a tract of Land in tackamy unto william Pebody Josias Standish and James Allin that there might be a town of English seated now whereas I Josias bound the fors'd persons in purchas of ye s'd Lands to herd their catle wherefor be it known unto all men by these presents that I Josias Sachem of tackemy on the Vineyeard do sell unto william Pebody Josias Standish and James Allin that my priviledge also y^{t} from this day foreward I do make them free from herding their

catle so y^{t} their catle shall have liberty lawfully and peaceably to grass within the commons of tackemy without any molestation I say I Josias do sell and sett free as affors'd and delivere over from mee my heires an assignes unto william Pebody Josias Standish and James Allin them their associats heires or assignes to have and to hold from and against me or my heires forever and for surty of ye same I do bind me my heires or assignes to defend the same rights and priviledges from all Lawfull claimes by any person or persons from befor the date hereof being this present June 17th 1670 and this I do for and in consideration of five shillings already received in wittness of ye premises I have hereunto set my hand and seale Signed sealed and delivered in ye presents of

Mr: Butler The mark 4.1.4. +.

of Josias

The mark ——|—— of

Israel Robinson

Entered upon the record october 20th 1690

℘ me Beniamin Skiff *Clark*

ffor as much as I Josias sachem of tachkemy did formerly sell a tract of Land in Tachkemmy unto William Pedbody Josias Standish and James Allin and James Skiffe wich Land was bounded on ye east side begining a full mile from a marked tree neare Popemikes field and so to run southerly unto a vally and road near where tichpitts house was and so taketh all ye neckes westwardly as appeareth by deed beareing date 1669 wherefor be it known unto all men by these presents that I Josias sachem of Tachkemy do sell and inlarge the costs of ye English further on ye east sid unto the east side of ye deep woody vally in the cart way goeing to ye town and so to run upon a straight line unto ye mille from the marked tree & from ye marked tree by popamikes field and so taking in all the Lands and neckes westwardly as appeareth by trees marked on ye east sid of ye woody vally by me Josias James Allin and John Eddy I say I do sell and deliver over this my Land from me my heires or assignes forevere unto the town of Tisbury James Allin & his associats them their heires or assignes to have & to hold from and against me or my heires forever and this I do for and in consideration of fifteen shillings allready recieved and for ye security of ye same I bind myself my heires or assignes to defend the same from all Lawfull claimes

by any person or persons whatsoever from befor the day of the date here of in wittness of ye premises I hereunto set my hand and seale being this present Jan 31st 1671

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In ye presence of of Josias

John Budesart

the mark

of Israel Robinson

Enter upon ye record octob^r^ 20th 1690

℘ me Beniamin Skiffe *Clark*

The Lands And Accomadations of James Redfield which Leyeth in the Township of Takymmy or Tisbury on the vineyard as folloeth one half house Lot which containeth twenty five Acres Leying on the East side of the brook where his dwelling house is this present year one thousand six hundred seventy & three bounded with the brook on the west And Joseph doggats half Lot on the north & Isack Robinsons Lot on the South being twenty-five rods in bredth And runing in length eight score rods easterly from the brook being twenty five Acres more or Lesse And halfe the Sixth part of the neck by John Eddys of which halfe the fifth lot is James Redfields Leying on the south side of Joseph doggats halfe lot Leying Acrosse the neck as the neck is devided to every mans share Contained in the neck As before spoken in the order of devision of the three necks baring date february the first 1671

And the two And thirtyth part of all undevided Lands whether purchesed or that may be purchesed This is the Lands And Accomadations of James Redfield but to be remembred the purches not yet paid

The Lands & Accomadations of Joseph Doggatt which Leieth in the Township of Takymmy or tisbury on the vineyard as foloeth One halfe house Lot which containeth twenty-five Acres Leying on the east side of the brook where his dwelling house is this present year 1673 bounded the brook on the west (& the halfe lot which James Redfield hath taken on the south) (& the halfe lot which Charls Crossthwat hath taken on the north) laid out twenty five rods in bredth by James Allen & Thomas Mayhew & Runing eight score rods Easterly from the brook being twenty five Acres mor or lesse

And halfe the sixth part of the neck by John Eddys of which; halfe the fifth lot is Joseph Doggats leying next to henery lewis his lot leying Acrosse the neck as the neck is devided to every mans lot Contained in the neck As before spoken in the order of devision of the three necks baring date february the first 1671

And the two And thirtyth part of all undevided lands whether purchesed or that may be purchesed

this is the lands And Acomadations of Joseph doggatt

The Lands & Accomadations which belongeth to the minisstrie in takymmy or tisbury on the vineyard as foloeth

One house Lot with an Adishon of low land unto the house lot the house Lot Leying on the East sid of the brook next northward unto the halfe lot once grannted unto Mr John . . . . . upon condishon but to be remembrd, there is to be A heye way betwen this Lot And halfe Lot or there A bout most conveniant over the brooke up into the woods East And west so = this lot is to run fourty rods in bredth northward And in length Eastward eightfoor rods and the addishon of low land is all the low land betwen the lot And Simon Athearns fenc but the upland which leyeth betwen Simon Athearns lot and the lot for the minisstrie is left Common

And the seventh part of the great neack as before spoken in the order of the devision of the three necks for an Inhearitanc for ever bareing date the first of february 1671 as also a sixteenth Part of all the undividedd lands and meadows lying within the bounds of said Town ship of Tisbury whether Purchased or to be purchased of the Indians

June the 27 1673 the Record of the lands And Accomadations of Jeremiah Whitin in Takymmy or tisbury on the vineyard . . . . . One house Lot which containeth fourty Acres wh . . . . . is this present year or 1673 bounded by the hey . . . . . And James Allens lot on the south being fourty . . . . . more or less And the brook on the east And runing eigh . . . rods in length westward being fourty Acres more or . . . And the sixth part of the neck by John Eddys of . . . . . the sixth and fuedermost lot next the poynt is Jeremiah whitins Leying Across the neck as the neck is devided to every man . . . . contained in the neck as before mentioned in the order of the devision of the three necks bareing dates the first of feb-

ruary . . . . . And the sixteenth part of all undevided lands whether purchased or to purchesse or that may be purchased

This is the record of the lands And Accomadations of Jeremiah Whitin

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ffor as much as I Thomas Mayhew have received some instructions from y^e^ governor generall Lovelace of y^e^ Province and for y^e^ peaceable goverment and wele ordering of this Island called Marthas Vineyeard and a certain necke of Land on y^e^ west sid of holmes harbour being purchased and like to be Inhabited by English men where for be it known unto all men by these presents that I do for myself heires and assignes grant & assigne the s'd necke of Land to belong unto the s'd town Tisbury on ye Vineyeard that ye said necke and Inhabitants and estats theire being to be lyable owe and to pay all publike charge with ye town of Tisbury as they may be justly rated upon their Lands persons or estats and they to remain and continue untill ye sd necke of Land be a particullare township of itselfe or with other Lands adjacant

Wittness hereunto my hand this 2 day of August 1673

℘ me Thomas Mayhew
Governour

Entered upon the Record octob^r^ 20th 1690
℘ me Beniamin Skiffe *Clark*

. . . . . 30th 1674: Thomas Mayhew is Chosen . . . . .
. . . . . present year to keep the town Records . . . . . .
. . . . . of A town Clark
. . . . January the fifth 1674 voted that all the Lots which . . . . .
Laid out shall be recorde as thay are Laid out

THOMAS MAYHEW *clark*

The Lands And Accomadations of . . . . . Leyeth in the township of Takymmy or Tisbury on the vineyard as foloeth

One house Lot which Containeth fourty Acres to wit saven Acres more or lesse where his dwelling house this present yr 1674 on the west sid of the old mill brook bounded by A whit wood tree on the north at the brook & by the brook on the east & the Joyning neck dich on the south strait from the dich too the brook & on the southwest Corner by the hei-way & on the northwest corner by A black oak tree marked all Leying seven Acres more or lesse And the other thirty three Acres at or neer the couner or turn of the same brook bounded by the brook & A littell run of water on the west & littell whit wood standing by the run the north bounde & so-runing right . . . full eight score rods bounded by the Com̃ and so being thirty & three rods in bredth southward bounded by the com̃ and on the south all being thirty three Acres more or lesse with a thurd part of the neck which lyeth betwene the two broocks being more or lesse as laid out with a sixtenth part of all the tounship of tisbury wheather purchased or to be purchased

dat febuary the 2 day 1674

Recordded by ordear of the toun by me THOMAS MAYHEW *clarck*

Febberary the 5: 1674 granted By the freholdars Of Tisbary unto Samuall tilton one halfe share of Land Which is to say one half Lot containing twenty: two ackers Bounded one the west by: the reiver one the south by the heyway One the north by a stack near the reiver which Land in bredth is Twenty two polls by the reiver and runeth estward in Length 8 skore polls With one half Lot lying in the neck by John Pyes Which half Lot is bounded one the south by charls crostwhates lot and one the north by the halfe Lot granted to john slepar Being more or les as they are Laid out With a two and thirtyeth part of all unde-

vided Land And meddo belonging unto the said town of tisbary I say granted unto him for aninharitance forevear

Recorded by ordar of the town

THOMAS MAYHEW *Clark*

Febbary 5 1674 the townsmen of Tysbury do not give unto isack chace of Hampton liberty to settle in the town

Recorded by ordar of the town

THOMAS MAYHEW *clark*

Thes are the Lands of Jeams Skiffe senier . . . the township of tisbery: one lot containing forty ackers Bounded on the est By the reiver on the north By thomas wests Lot on the south By the heyway that leieth on the north sid of henery Luessis Lot and so runeth from the reiver westward fore poles in lenght and one Lot In the gret neck Bounded on the est by Jeans allins Lot on the west by Samuel ruggeles Lot with a sixtenth part of all undevided landes and meddo the devided Landes Being more or les as thay are Laied out thes are the Landes purchused by the above named Jeams Skiff

recorded by ordor of the town: febbarary the 5: 1d74

Thes are the Lands of James allin Lieng In the tounship of tisbury one Lot containing forty 8 ackers bounded on the south by nathannil skiffs Lot and on the north by Jaremiah whittons Lot Lieng in bredeth forty 8 pols by the reiver and runeth westward from the reiver 8 skore pols in lenght with one Lot in the gret neck bounded on the est by the middel of the watar which partth the neck and on the west by goodman of with a sixtenth part of all undevided Lands and Meddo . . . to the said town the devided Lands being more or les as thay are Laid out

This is the . . . . . of the Landes and inharitanc of . . . . . in the town of tisbury

. . . . . of the town . . . . . .

Octobar the 28: 1675 voted by the towns men of tisbury That Jeams allin shall have that halfe share of Land which was formally granted unto John sleppar if he had com to inhabit

I say granted unto him the said Jeams allin All that halfe share of land with all reites And titells thareunto Belongin as folloueth one halfe Lot Lyeng on the north side of Thomas west his lot: Being in Bredeth By the reiver twenty poles And runeth in Lenght west ward 8 skore

poles with halfe a share in the neck by John edies which halfe lot is bounded on the north by Thomas west his lot on the south by samuell tiltons Lot Being more or lesse as thay are Laid out With a two and thurtyeth part of all undevided Land and meddo belongin unto the said toun I say it is granted unto him the said Jeams allin for an inharitance for evear in the Lue of that Lot which the said ieams allin bought of iohn roggars the said ieams allin acsepting hearof hatht delivered up unto the toun the afore said Lot which he had bought of John roggars Remembaring that the said ieams allin is to pay the purchas of this halfe lot

Recorded By ordor

THOMAS MAYHEW

CLarck

Charles Crosthwait appeared Before The Town, at a publique Town Meeting, being the twenty eighth day of october, Ano. Dom 1675; and acknowledged that he had made legall sale of his house landes and all Rightes and priveledges, which he had in The Town of Tysburie; unto Thomas Berrick to him his heirs and Assighn's to have and To hold for ever; and desires The same may be Taken Notice of in this publique Records of The Town; and it is heer by declared that the purchase from the Town is payed, and satifyed;

Recorded By ordar of The Toun

THOMAS MAYHEW *tclarck*

Octobar 1675

Thes are The lands formally granted unto Charles crosthwait And now confarmed by The Tounsmen of Tisbury unto Thomas Berrick as fouleth one halfe Lot containig Twenty two acker bounded one the south By Joseph daggit his Lot and on the north By the hey way next unto Samuell tilton his lot and on the west By the reiver Being in bredeth twenty two pols and runeth in lenght estward from the reiver eaight skore poles with one halfe lot in the neck by John edyes being bounded one the north By samuel tiltons lot and one the south by natthanill skiff his lot with a two and thurtieth part of all the Land and meddo belonging unto the Tounship of Tisbury The devided lands being more or les as thay are Laied out confarmed unto him for an inharitance forever

Recorded By ordar of the Toun

November the 22 : 1675

John tucker is chosen cufvaar for the year follouing goodman marry is allso chosen cunstable for one yeare it is allso ordared that if any man having had two days warning attend not the said tucker in meanding of heywais Shall for each days defalt pay two shillings

november the 22 : 1675

It is agreed with a ieant consent of the tounsmen that Jeames allin and Thomas Mayhew shall wright unto the governouer of york In the name of the toun consarning the Land which simon atharn seketh to proquear unto himself from the toun

december the twenteth 1675

John tucker Is chosen cunstable untill the electtion court next In seueing henery luce Is allso chosen sufuare for the yeare follouing and If any man attend him not shall pay two shillings

desember the twenteth 1675

voted that John tucker siman atharn thomas mayhew and artar beven shall Layout all that Land which Belongeth unto the township of Tisbury Into sixten shears and that those shears shall be devided to each man by lot that is to : say all that Land which lieth betwene the sound and the ould mill reiver

October the twelfe 1677

Jhn Manter Is chosen constable for The yeare Folloueing

Junuary the 16 day 1678

It is agread and voted by the tounsmen of Tisbury That wheareas theare are seaverall men In the toun that have littell swamp or lowe Land In cumparison of others it Is thearfore That willam weke Isack chase and Thomas mayhew shall loock over eveary mans hous lot In the said toun and shall eaquallise them with swamp and lowe land according to theare beaste undearstandeing and soe eaveary man shall rest sattisfied

Recordeid by me

THOMAS MAYHEW

Tlarck

Whearas thear heath bin some difarance betwen the touns men of tisbury and simon Athearn of the said toun a bout a neck of Land which the said athearn bought of an Indian the which neck of Land Is called

by the Indians copek alais tissisah this record witniseth an agrement made the twentieth day of Junuary 1678 betwene the said touns men and simon athearn — — — upon the deliveery of the deed he the said athearn had of the Indian It is agread by vote that the said athearn for purchising of the said neck of land should have ten pounds paid unto him by the touns men the which theay have Ingaged to pay for him unto Abagall codman Allso it is greanted unto the said athearn that he shall Inioye for an inheritance for eaver a sartaine parsill of Land lyeng apon the puint of the said neck bounded easterly by a Litell pond and from the north ar most eand thear of apon a straight Line unto a cove of water on the west sid of the said neck the said athearn Is to pay two pounds of the a bove said ten for his oune wright in the said neck with goodman mantars and nathan skiffes who have yealded theare wrights unto him

It is allso voted that the neck shall Ly in cormmon

Recorded by ordear of the toun
by me Thomas Mayhew

This record mad this fouer and twentith day of aprill In the year of ouer Lord one thouesand six hundred seventy and eight witniseth an agrement of an ecchainge of land betwen John tucker and Josiph daggit That is to say we the said John tucker and Josiph daggit haue fully and farmly exchainged ouer shears of land which lieth In the neck by John eddys John tuckers belonging unto his house lots each witith the other to have and to hould forever and in witnis hear unto we have hearunt entarchaingably set ouer hands The said share exchainged by Josiph daggit belonged unto nathanill skiffe his house lot

The day and year above writen

memarandam the said Josiph daggit Is to have a conveniant cart way through the said land of John tucker whare the way now lyeth

Recorded by me Thomas Mayhew *tclarck*

John Tucker
Joseph Dagget

It is allso voted at the same meteing that John eddy and Josiph dagit shall have pouer to by what land Thay canne of the indians for the usee of The toune within this toun ship of tisbury

October the 22 day 1678

the land at the north side of the ould mill reiver being formally laid out are now deveided by lot to goodman robinson the first lot next simon athearn his lot to goodman whitton the seckent to curnelius brigs the

thurd to goodman eddy the fourth to goodman whitton the fifth: goodman mantar and goodman eddy the 6: to the ministar the 7: to heaneary lues the 8: to nathan skiffe the 9: to Jeames skiffe the tenth: to goodman meary the eleventh: to goodman allin the twelfe to John mantar the thurtenth (that is to the house lot of John mantar which he bought of natthanill skiffe) to Josiph dagit and John tucker fourtenteh: to Jeames allin and thomas west the sixtenth

Recorded by me THOMAS MAYHEW
tclarck

october the 22 day 1678

Voted at the toun meteing that goodman robinson and Thomas West shall stand In the plase of tounes men and sall have power to worne all Towne meteings by warrant to th constabell and that all touen meteings shall begin at nine of the clock in the morning and to end by the sun one ouere hey at night allso that the said tounes hve power to give a worant to the constable to fetch a way from eany man that shall not attend any meteing so worned tow shillings and six pence If no spechall accasion hindear to the sattisfaction of that meteing unto wich the neglect is this order is to stand untill it is colled in and all meteings are to have thre days warning

recorded by me THOMAS MAYHEW
tclark

goodman meary Is allso choson Souere and if eany man shal nat assist him in meandeing of heyweayes hoaveing had thre days warning shal for his neglect pay 2 shillings and six pence The touens men givening warant to the constable shall fetch the same

november the ninth: 1678

It is agread by the meagear of the touens men that Thomas west shall have all the swanp that lieth on est sid of the brook opposit against his hous lot the bredeth of his hous lot touards his sheare of his lou land

Recorde by me THOMAS MAYHEW
T clarck

June the seventh day: 1679 —

John tukker is chosen to sarve in the plase of a toune clarcke untill another be chosen —

Itt is agread by atowne mettting that Isaack Robanson and Jeremiath wittne are to stand as towns men and to and power to acke as towns men for the good of the inhabbitants of tisbery

18th may 80 ℘ me JOHN TUCKER *Clarke*

June the sevententh day: 1679

It is agread and ordred by the touns men of tisbury that from this day and forward that theare shall be two men chosen by this toun to rayse fiveten pounds yearly from year to year for the worck of the ministry by way of a rate apon all that shall attend the publique meteing in this place and the men to be chosen from year to year and that thay shall make the said rate according to théare best descration and shall see the said sum truely paid

The above writen is consented unto and by the desre of the tounsmen signed by me

THOMAS MAYHEW
Assistant

good man Robbinson and thomas west are chosen to make the above mentioned reat for this present year above writen

8 october 79

Arter Bebbin is chossen cunstabel the 8th daye of october to sare for A cunstabell this yeare foulling

recorded by me Jo: TUCKER
clarke

The twne booke was rescued be me John Tucker the 8th day of october 79

8th october 79

James Allin is chossen granguery man for this yeare folloing recorded by me JOHN TUCKER *clarke*

John Manter chossen serveers for this yeare

JOHN TUCKER *cler*

It is vootted by the inhabbitants in a towne mitting that will. Rogges shall purchchis therty eakers of land of sias Sogimer for for an heritance the toune is to chuse two men to liit out and the saide rogers is to buld upon it and to live upon it fouer yeare and what the saide rogers cann purchis more it is to reteune to the toune againe

May 19th 1680

It is agread by the tounmens of tysbury that Nathan Skiffe shall have that swampe Ling from the nore side of his filde to A peese of sompe granted to thomas weste and so to runn upon aline esterly to the tope of the hill whare formrly was a fence the sayde skiffe is to have this for part of his share of low land

recorded by me JOHN TUCKER *t clark*

18th June 1680

being atown mitting it was put to vott whare or no Simon Atharne shoulde have the necke . . . . . of land that liath upon the pountes of the indian necke but the towne voted that the said simon Attharne should but have his share with the reste of the inhabitants and tendred the saide simon Attharne if hee youlde sine the dedes the yould pee him the mony

By me JOHN TUCKER
Clarke

It is Agread upon by the inhabetants of this toune that My thomas Mayhew and Jams Allin shall laye out low lands to them that have yet none and to make them equall to the reste as neare as the cann to the beste Judgment

by me JOHN TUCKER *tclarck*

15 : 7th mounth 80

in the year 1680 81 the 10 day of feburiary nathen skiff is chosen by the inhabitents of The Toiun off Tishbeury to bee Toiun clark ontill another bee chosen

The Recordes of the land comanly coled Ciphec and Bounded on the west side by marced Trees and so to Run north and by west to a hie round hill neere the sound and From thence to a great Rocke lyeng in the wash of the sea by it self and on the East From the mill broock to the black stump on a north and by west poynt and likewis From the black stump to the sound upon the same poynt to A pine tre standing alone one a litle nack and by the south by the old mill broock and one the north by the sound

Desember the : 16 day 1681

It is Agred and voted by the toune of tisbury that John : Cace shall have for An Inheritance to him and his ares for Ever A sarten parsel

of land lyeng on the north side of the new mill River and to lie some to the boundes of the toun that is to sa fortty rodes in bredth buting to the brouke and forescore rodes in length northardly and comineg for wood and grasing for catel

Recorded by me

NATHAN SKIFF *T clarke*

Desember ye 16 day 1681

It is Agred by the toun of tisbury that anny man of this toune inhabitant shall have liberty to purtch anny land in the township not purtshed for the toune and those that will not pay Acording to purtshes thay will loos thare shares

Desember the: 16. day 1681

It is Agread and voted by the touns men of tisbury that the hill that lieth Abov the lotes of Henery luce: Nathan skif and: thomas: wests shall be fenst and planted not Ekceding fore yeres by all or anny of the town

Feburary the 9: 16$\frac{81}{82}$

whereas we James Allen and Thomas Mayhew was appointed by the freeholders of tisbury to Lay out unto Those men swamp or Low land which had none or but little to there house Lots making them Equall with others as near as we Could and in order therunto we have Layed out all the swamp Land we found as followeth and first begining at a place Called wasqusims we Layed out the first lot to henery Luce the second to daniell stuard the third to nicholas norton the fourth to Curnelas brigs the fifth to Joseph daggit the sixth to James Allen being the Last upon that brook

nextly we Layed to Joseph merry and mr Coffyn the Swomp that Lyeth on the other brook at the head of the millpond and to Isaac Robinson we Layed a sertain parsill of Lowland and Swomp that Joyning unto his own Land on the Est side of the great neck and the Remainder of that Swamp to John tucker and unto John Eddy we Layed out all the swamp that Lyeth within his fence on the Little neck which was granted him for the mendment of his house Lot

it is to be Remembred that the sixth Lot in the first Devition was Laid out to Arthor beven it is also to be Remembred that we have Laid

unto Every devition of swamp two polls or Rods of upland Round Every devition and parsill of swamp before mentionod

witness our hands

THOMAS MAYHEW

JAMES ALLEN

Entred this 16th day of Jenuary 1697 by order of John Eddy and John manter sellectmen by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

May the 17 1682

It is Agred and voted: by the town of tisbury that peter Robesun shal have 20 Acers of land with comeneg for fire wod and grazing for catel and the townes men are to lay it out where it may be most convianant

May ye 17 1682

It is Agread and voted by the mage of the fre holders of tysburry that After beven shall have a pec of land About one Acer lying on the east sid of a pece of swamp formerly granted to his half lot bounded by the hy way on the East and on the south by Nathan Skiffe his now standing fence and to run northardly to the out sid of the Aforsaid pece of swamp formerly granted

This: 25: of July 1682

The tounsmen of tysbury do give liberty unto Isack Chace to purtch asartain parsel of land it being forty acers lying one the east side of wechpaquaset pond upon the condison that the foresid Izack chace shall and do setel a man well A proved Among men upon the aforesaid land within fore years after the date of this record and if the fore said Izack chace Do not setel the land as is Above . . . . . the toun shall have the land paying the charg of purchas . . . . be remembred that theare shall be a way for ever thrwo the said land where it ma be most conveanant and least predgshul . . . . ned requireth but if the said Isack Chace se caue to shut up the way then to leave sofisiant gate or bars . . . . . rode way

January 13th 1683 I simon Athearn of the town of tisbury Entreth upon Record my dislicke of anny grant gift sall or other disposal of anny land which I have Right unto or in part and againe I enter my protest against Any such land swamp or medo for the fetter which I Simon Athearn have rights in and pretentes to

this record under riten was not by the consent of the town

January 13th 1683 I simon Athearn of the toun of tysbury Entreth upon record my dislike of any graunt giuft sall or other disposall of any land which I have Right unto or in part and againe I enter my protest against any such graunt giuft sall or disposal of any such land swamp or medo for the futer which I simon athearn have Right in and protentes to

Entered upon record this: 14: of January: 1683

by me NATHAN SKIFFE *clark*

This record opasat baring date ye 14 of ienewary 1683 was not by the consent of the town where as we doe who are ouerseres entereth our de sent against the fore said record which may Signifie by our handes this 14 of ienewary 1683

JOHN EDDY *concell*

ISAAK ROBINSON in the behalf of all the rest of the overseers

These are to sartifie whom it may consarn that I Simon Athearn am willing And by These present do grant a Sofissiant way for Cart and drift unto Each mans Land Consarnd in the great neck So Far as it Consernoth me And in witness of the premises I have hearunto set my hand This 23: day of January: 1683:

ELLISHA: LINOLL SIMON ATHEARN

The testimony of Ellisha Linoll Eaged twenty Fouer years or thear about saith that I being present when the above writen grant was writen and given by Simon Athearn and being desired set my hand theare unto as A witnis

Tacken before me the the 6 dy of febuary: 1683

THOMAS MAYHEW

Justice of peece.

March the eleventh day 1683[84]

it is agread and inacted by the oversears of this toune of tisbury that every frehoulder of this toune shall have a devidant of twenty five eackers of leand Layed out that is to every wholl sheare and so to every man proportioable to his toune right

JOHN EDDY

ISAAK ROBINSON in the behalf of the vote of the voters

whereas the frehoulders of the town of tysbury and Simon Athern of tysbury did agree at A town meeting a pout the neck of land called copackeales tissisa as may A pere by record and it being understood that Dalol steward and Edward Cottol both of the town of tysbury have each of them A half sheare on the said neck wherefore know all men by thes presant that we Danel Steward and Edward Cottol both of the town of tysbury on marthas vinyard Joyntly as well as saveraly for us our heirs or asines sell asigne and set over and by thees presance do sorender and yeld up our perticalar half shears of upland and medo lyeng and being in the said neck of land caled copackeaeales tissisa in tysbury on marthas vinyard unto simon Athern on marthas vinyard to him his heirs or asines to have and to hould from and a gainst us our heirs or asines for ever and

March the 17 d'y, 1687.

Beniamin Skiff is chosen town clarck, by the tounsmen of Tisbury, in Dukes County, for one year after this present deat.

Martch the 17 : day : 1687

It is agreed and votted by the town of Tisbury that no man shall keep more nor above one hundred sheep one the common being one year old and upyard to one hole share of land and fifty to half a share and this order to take place and to stand in power the first day of December next the ensuing date hereof and to stand in force tell the maigor part of the town shall see cause to null it and whomesoiver shall act contrary to this order & shall keep more sheep on the commons than the aforesaid number shall forfet and pay to the informer against sutch breatch of order two shillings and six pence for ivory sheep more then the number aforesaid

Entered by me

Beniamin Skiffe *Town Clark*

May the 13 day 1687

Simon Athearn is chosen constable for the foloing yere in the town of Tisbury

May the 13 day 1687

goodman robinson goodman eddy and goodman luce is chosen commishenors and townsmen for tisbury for the following yere

May the 13 : 1687

It is voted by the town of tisbury that Joseph merry Joseph dogat and John manter junyer shall serve in the ofis of sevares for the town for one yere or tell the town shall see caus to nul this act

entered by me

BENIAMIN SKIFF *Town Clark*

May the 13 day 1687

It is agreed and voted at a town meting that those townsmen goodman robinson goodman eddy and goodman luce shall have full power inbehalf of the town to take the best care they can to procure the acknolegment payed and in se doing the town ingage to anser them for all these nesesary charge in or about the same as allsoe those townsman are impowered in behalf of the town to caus the town recordes to be posted and entered into the new boock

Entered by me

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *Town Clark*

June the : 17 : day 1687

It is agreed upon & voted at a town meeting by the freeholders of Tisbury that James allen and edward cottoll as in behalf of the town shall seek after and indeavor to procure a new charter and new boundes for the town of tisbury and the town are jointly to answer and pay for all the cost and charge there for arising or about the same

entered by me

BENIAMIN SKIFF *Clark*

September the 7th day 1687

It is voted at a town meting by the freeholder of tisbury that john eddy and Beniamin skiffe shall make a reat or asesment of seventeen pounds fourteen shillens and ten pence halfpeney one the ratable estate of this town and farmes agasant all eastward not extending within the bounds and limets of edgertown

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *Clark*

october the 17th day 1687

It is agreed and voted by the freeholders of tisbury that no parson or parsons shall carey or caus to be careyed out of the boundes of the first purches of lands Belonging to this town any Brush stakes or aney wood or timber and if any parson shall presume notwith standing this order to cut and carey Brush stakes wood or timber out of the bounds

and limets as aforesaid of the comons he or they shall forfit four shillings for iverey such action or trespas the one half to the informer the other half to the town

By me Beniamin Skiffe *Clarke*

october the 19th day 1687

It is agreed and voted by the town that the neck of land called charlesis neck shall be divided and eatch mans proportion shall be layed out as also the medoe one the above said neck of land and the two next neckes ajoyning eastward from the said neck

Beniamin Skiffe *Clarke*

Junewary ye 22 : day 1688/89

It is agreed upon : and voted : by the freeholders of tisbury that all ye : wood and woodland belonging to ye said town shall be divided : to eatch man according to his proper shear or right that is to say all wood and wood lands in comon within ye said town bounds : and limits : as allso all sutch lands as are clear from brush or alredy come to grass sutible for fedding : to cattell yet allwayes to be understood that there shall be convinecies left : for sofishent watering for cattell in sutch place : and places : as ye men who are and shall be apinted to divide ye premices : shall thinck conveinant : and sutch places of water and watering places shall beleft to ye comons as free way for cattell without interupttion. It is allso agreed that Joseph merry edward cottell Joseph daget & peter robinson : shall divide and lay out the sd lands as aforesaid forthwith as soon as seson of wether will admit

Beniamin Skiffe *Clark*

febarary the 15 day 1687 als 88

It is voted by the town, that the medo and mash laying one the neck called tissisa shall be divided and layed out to everey man his proportion according to eatch mans propriaty

by me Beniamin Skiff, *Clarke.*

August the 28 day 1688

Willyam parelow is chosen constable by the town for this folowing year

Benj Skiffe *Clarke*

august the 28 day 1688

It is agreead and voted by the town that all sheep rambs runing one the commons after the third day of september next insuing sutch rambs

as have not yet bin up this year it shall be lawful for aney parson to take them up and return them to the oner he paying twelve pence to him that taketh him and for all sutch rambs as have bin in pasture this year allredy taken up and broken out being taken by any parson the oner shall pay six pence for every sutch sheep ramb and if the oner refus or neglect to redeem sutch ramb or rambs so taken up then the taker of them, after twenty and four hours having given legall notis to the said oner shall keep them at twelve pence a day tell they are redeemed and freed by the oner seven days be expired and then to be sould at an autcrie to pay the charge.

BENJ. SKIFFE, *Clark.*

Agust the 28 day 1688

John eddy thomas look and after bivens is chosen comishoners for this folowing year by the town

BENJ SKIFFE *Clark*

agust the 28 day 1688

goodman robinson and goodman cottol is chosen to be viewers of fence by the town for this folowing year

BENJ SKIFFE *Clark*

August the 28 d'y 1688 beniamin skiffe is chosen toun clarck by the frehoulders of the town of tisbury in dukes county for one yeare aftar this present this present dat

Sighned by me THO. MAYHEW
Justice of peace

an order for starting the comons for sheep entred pages

September the 24 day 1689

edward srined cottoll is chosen constable for this folowing year by the town

BENIAMIN : SKIFFE *clark*

September the 24 day 1689

Beniamin skiffe is chosen town clarke for the town of tisbury for this following yeer or tell another is chosen so long as he is willing to stand in ye pleas

BENIAMIN SKIFF *clarke*

September 24 day 1689

It is voted by the freholders of tisbury that goodman whetny good dogget and peter robinson shall be townsmen for this following year and thomas look is also chosen sevair to stand for ye following year

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *clark*

december ye 4 day 1689

it agreed upon and voted by the freeholders of tisbury that all fences shall be acounted sofishant which are four foots and three enches high from the face of ye ground and non under the said height shall be soo ajudued that is to say good and substanchall four foots and three enches high and that all diches or aney sort of fence which are bult by casting up of banes or any other way shall have on them hedges or rales or sutch like which may be ajudged aquivelant to the said fence of four foots and three enches high: It is allso agreed and voted that John manter and thomas look shall stand in the place of savairs and judgers of fence for this following year

BENIAMIN SKIFF *clark*

december ye 4 day 1689

it is agreed and voted by the freeholders of tisbury that goodman robinson goodman eddy and goodman whetney shall procure ye old records that is to say all records of or in ye old books and loose papers of consarnment sutch as they shall see convenant to caus them to be entered in ye new boock and in so doing the town doth ingage to answer and pay them for all nesecary cost and charge in and about the same

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *clarke*

Junawary ye 25 1689 alis 90

It is agreed and voted by the town that joseph merry and joseph dagget shall lay out a sartain parcel of loe land to after biven which lieth ajoyning to the river and on the notherd of said bivens his lot

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *clark*

Junawary ye 25 1689 alis 90

jeramiah whetny entered his decent in giving away aney more land of the comons

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *clark*

martch the 3 day 1690

It is agreed and voted by the freeholders of tisbury that if aney one or more of those men which ware apinted to lay out ye wood and wood lands which were good merry good cottol good dadot and peter robinson shall neglect or refuse to goe or act about the same that then goodman merry shall have liberty to choos other man or men in ther room and goe on with and proceed in the worke and that those that shall divid the land aforsaid shall have for their fees (2^s^) two shillens per day to each man

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *town clark*

martch the 3 day 1690:

It is agreed and voted that whome soeiver shall after the lots are laid out: cut down aney stade or tres upon aney lot but his one: without order from the fust clainer shall forfit and pay to the aforcaid clainer five shillens for ivrey sutch stade or tree great or small:

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *t clarke*

martch the 3 day 1690

It is agreed and voted by the freeholders of tisbury that joseph daget shall have payed him by way of reat aight shillens in that which is aquivelant to money yerely and ivry yere for five years after ye date hereof for to maintain a cefishant pound for the use of ye town as also said joseph daget is chosen pound ceeper for the town onely the town is to provid a lock for ye pound

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *t clark*

whereas we joseph merry and Joseph daget were opinted by the town to lay out apece of swamp or low land to after bivens we have laid out ye swamp as followeth a sartin parcell of land bounded southwardly by said after bivens land and bounded eastward by the brook one the west by the side of the hill northward by a stump standing neer ye brook and from thence to alitell tree marked by the side of a valey running up the hill

dat martch ye 3 day 1690

the mark of JOSEPH [I] MERRY
JOSEPH DAGET

martch the 3^d^ 1690 entered by me BENJ SKIFFE *Clark*

martch the 3 day 1690

it is voted by the freeholders of tisbury that the clark shall enter all the records of the old book or loose papers among the records that are sined by aney clarke in ye new boock of records and in so doing the freeholders of tisbury ingage to make resnable satisfacttion

BENIAMIN SKIFFE *Clark*

voted that James Allin & peter Robinson are Chosen and impowrd, by the town of tisbury, to goe and discovr the Indian Steven and Joseph Skeetup, & theire Company who have dwelt in seconquot & ye necks agasent And to agree with said Indians, so, that thay, said Indians do quit Claim of said neeks, to the town of tisbury And yeld pesable possesion to the English, as Resonable as thay Cann to be under stood to agree with Steven Joseph skeetup sam nahommon & Joseph potobppan, as Resonable as thay Cann

date febrary 2 : 1691--92 :

℘ me BENIAMIN : SKIFF : *clark :*

febrary : the 2nd : day : 1691–92 voted at a town meting By Simon athearn : and the rest of the town : that John manter Junr Shall have to him and his ears and a signs for iver a sartain piece of Land Lying By his house where he now dwelleth Bounded northwardly the Litell neck Lots estwwardly By the cart way which goeth to the great neck Southwardly upon a straight Line with the said manters fence standing By the head of the swamp : rainging tord said cart way and the said Line to rune : to the said cart way which is the eastern Bounds as aforsaid westwardly By Bounded By said manters fenc :

℘ me : BENIAMIN : SKIFF *clark*

febrary 2nd. day, 1691–92. John eddy is chosen constoble By the inhabatanc of tisbury for in dukes County for one yere follouing from this time.

BENIAMIN SKIFF *town clarck*

october 5th. 1692. at a toun meeting at tisbury m^r^. Simon athearn and peter robinson are chosen By the inhabitanc agents for the toun of tisbury fr this present yere and m^r^. John eddy is also chosen suproviser fr the town aforsaid fr the present yere

℘ me BENIAMIN SKIFF *clark*

March the 15 day 1693 peter Robinson chosen Constable by the freeholders of Tisbury dukes County for one year

ROBERT COTHCART *Clark*

Aprill the 5 day 1693 Robert Cothcart is chosen Town Clarck by the townsmen of Tisbury in dukes County fr one year of this preasant date

ROBERT COTHCART *Clark*

Aprill the 5 day 1693 Simon Athearn Chosen Comisioner and John Edy and John Pees and Joseph Dagget were chosen sellectmen by the freeholders of Tisbury in dukes County for one year

ROBERT COTHCART *Clark*

July the 15 day 1693 it is agread upon and voted at a town meeting by the maiger part of the freeholders of the town tisbury preasant that peter robinson shall poses and mioy a pice of medow wich he Claims to be his by purch of the Indians which lies one the south side against sekunkeoet and near there agasent

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

July the 15 day 1693 tis agred upon and voted by the maiger part of the freholders of the town of tisbury then preasant that peter robinson and John manter be Constituted and opoynted this towns atorneys to use theire Cuning in defering this towns right of the medow gras and hay on seconquet peanaskenamset and mossoonkhonk obsolutly to prevent any Indyan or Indians directly or indirectly to have any improvment by Confedryci or otherwise for the space of three years now from this day above mentioned having to themselves all the mowing grass and hay on the primisses for the term of three years aforsaid upon Condition that peter robinson and John manter doth make ose of the law also for the defence of the primisses as the Caus may require from time to time untill three years be expired entred by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

at a town meeting at tisbury the 26 day of october 1694 we the Inhabitants do freely desier you mr Experience mayhew to Come to the publique place upon the Lords dayes to teach to us according to the measure and gift that god hath given you the which we hope and are perswaded will tend to the glory of god and our Comfort by Jesus Christ our Lord for this End we subscribe our hands and names

this is a true Coppy Taken out of the origenall by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

November the 21 day 1694 it is agreed and voted at a legal town meeting that mr Simon Athern Thomas Look John Edy Joseph daggit & peter Robinson are Chosen a Commity for the Town of tisbury for to draw up a pition to the general assembly for an Easment of their tax and for an addition of Lands unsetled to their township

by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

feberwary the 6 day 169_4^5 to the End that Each persons number of sheep may be known in the town of tisbury voted by the freeholders of tisbury that every person having sheep in this Town shall provid a Convenient place for to tale his sheep in and every person shall give timly notice to persons Chosen by the town and to pay one peney for the tale of Each score of sheep unto the said person or persons for tailing the same and so default in not providing a place Convenient for to taile sheep in the person so found so defaultive shall pay the damadg which shall Concur

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

feberbewary the 6 day 169_4^5 it is agreed and voted by the free holders of tisbury that John peas and John mantor are Chosen men for the town to take the taile of each persons sheep in this town for this sheering time

by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

feberwary the 6 day $169\frac{5}{4}$ it is agreed upon and voted at a Leagal town meeting by the freeholders of tisbury that John Edy & Joseph daggit. shall Limit a sertaine day for the town to drive sheep on the Comons of tisbury at sheering time when they the said men Chosen shall think sesonable time and it is allso agreed and voted that when that the said men do give timly notice to the town that they drive sheep and that the whole town do generally go out at the day opoynted and so to drive five dayes of sesonable weather to drive sheep in and if there be any person which doth not go to driving or send a man in his rume that the said person shall pay two pence for Each sheep brought up of the said persons to the that drive and allso it is agreed and voted that Lobert Luce Samuell mery Jonathan Lumberd Samuell Athern Elaezer Luce and Samuell Look ar Chosen for to drive sheep after five dayes for to shere said sheep and mark and Cut Lambs and that the town doth ingadge to pay the said men threepence for shearing Each sheep and marking and Cut each Lamb two pence to be paid by the owner of Each sheep and Lamb

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted at a Legal town meeting held in the town of tisbury by the freeholders this 20th day of march 1695 that Isrell Luce shall serve in the office of a Constable for this following year

Recorded by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted by the freeholders of the toun of tisbury at a Leagal toun meeting held this 20th day of march 1695 that Thomas Look Simon Athern and Joseph dagit shall serve for selectmen for the town of tisbury this following year Entred by me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted by the freeholders of the town of tisbury at a Leagal town meeting held this 20 day of march 1695 that John Case shall serve in the office of a over seer of the highwayes for this following year Entred by me

Robert Cathcart
Clark

march the 20 day 1695

voted at a Leagal town meeting by the freeholders of the town of tisbury that Robert Cathcart shall serve for town clark for this following year Entred by me

Robert Cathcart
Clark

febearary the 12th 169$_5^6$ it is agreed upon by the freeholders of this Town of Tisbury that thare shall no swine run on the Commons of this town from the first day of Aprill next insuing the date hear of untill the last day of Jun and if any propriator of this town shall in the time hear perfixed find and take up any swine upon the commons of this town that the said person shall forthwith give to the owner of said swine notice of his or thair swine and the owner of said swine shall forfite and pay the peniell sum of five shillings the one halph to the person that taketh up such swine and the other moitie to the use of the town and if the owner or owners refuse to redeem his or their swine that the person shall keep it or them in his Custity for the space of six dayes and at the end of six dayes the said swine shall be sold at an out crie by the person that taketh up such swine and with the aprobation of one of the select men the one halph to the person that taketh it or them and the other moitie to be paid to the select men for the use of the town

Recorded by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

March the 12th 1696 voted at a toun meeting that John Eddy John manter junier and peter Robinson shall serve for select men for this following year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

March the 12th 1696 voted at a town meeting that Simon Athern shall serve in the office of a Constable for this following year Entred by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

also it is voted That Edward Cottle shall overse the mending the highwayes this following year by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

September the 21 day 1696

voted at a Legall town meeting by the freeholders of the town of tisbury that Robert Cath Cart shall serve for town Treasurer for this following year by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

september the 21 day voted by the freeholders of tisbury at a Leagal town meeting That John Eddy John manter and peter Robinson shall havepower to asess the sum of forty two pounds and ten shillings one the town of tisbury and percincts for the use of the town Treasurry when there is Just ocation for it.

September The 21 day 1696 voted at a Legal town metting by the freeholders of Tisbury That John Eddy John manter and peter Robinson are impouered to ases the sum of forty two pounds ten shillings for The use of the town treasury by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

march the 9th 1697 voted at a Legall town meeting by The freeholders of Tisbury that Joseph daggit shall serve in the office of a Constable for This following year by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

march the 9th voted at a Legall town meeting by the freeholders of Tisbury that John Eddy John Pese and Samuell merry shall serve for sellect men for The Town of Tisbury for this following year by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

September the 2: 1697 voted at a Legall town meeting by the freeholders of Tisbury that there shall no sheep Rams Run on the Comons of this Town from the sixth day of this Instant month till the sixteenth of november and it is further voted that any person finding a sheep Ram or Rams on the Commons of this Town shall forthwith give notice to the owner of said Ram or Rams and he shall forfite and pay for every such Ram so taken if an old Ram the sum of five shillings and for every yung Ram so taken the sum of three shillings to be paid to any person which taketh up such Ram or Rams

by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

November 10th 1697 voted and agreed upon that the sellect men ar impoured by the freeholders to Limmit a sertain time for the drift of sheep and allso to act as thay think fifit in that mater

by me Robert Cathcart

November 10th 1697 it is ordered and Inacted by the sellect men of Tisbury that no person or persons shall drive any sheep on the Commons of this Town from the 12th day of This Instant month untill the first day of Jenuary next Insuing and allso if any person or persons shall be found driving of sheep on the Commons of This town Except such persons as shall be Listed by the seclet men for drivers of sheep for this seson shall forfit and pay the peniell sum of twenty shillings the one half to the Informer and the other half for the use of the Town to be prosecuted by the sellect men

by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

January 30th 1698

John Manter juner is chosen to supply in room of John Pese considering John Peses weakness

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

March 2: 169$\frac{7}{8}$ voted at a Leagall Town meeting that Robert Luce shall serve in the office of a Constable for the Town of Tisbury for this following year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

March 28th 1698 Peter Robinson John manter Junier. and Izerall Luce are Chosen select men for this present year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

november 23d 1698 at a Town meeting Jeremiah whitney is Chosen servair for mending the heighwayes for this preasen year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Whereas Certain Lands on the North side of ye old Mill brook to the sound was Divided by Lott October ye 22d: 1678: Wherefore wee ye Propriators whose names are under Written have ordered ye same to be Run over & ye bounds of ye sd Lands again Renewed by stakes & trees marked in the Rainge of Each Persons lands by agreement asfolloweth viz: The Eastermost & first Lott to Simon Athearn to be about 20 Rods in breadth from ye black stump as was heretofore granted him & upon Record his Eastermost bounds also to Run parrallell nor norwest westerly as all the other sd Lotts do to the sound The second Lott to Isaac Robinson about 24 Rods in breadth butting southerly by Simon Athearns Ditch & to Run Parrallell nor norwest westerly to the sound: The Third Lot to Joseph Dagget & Jeremiah Whitten about 24 Rods in breadth butting southerly by Simon Athearn Ditch & to Run Parrellell nor norwest westerly to the sound The fourth Lott to Simon Athearn about 24 Rods in breadth butting southerly by sd Ditch & to Run Parrellell as abovsd to the sound

The fifth Lott to John Edy about 24 Rods in breadth butting on the southward End by the sd Ditch or on ye Old Mill brook & to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound: The sixth Lott to Jeremiah Whitten about 24 Rods in breadth butting on ye southward End by the old Mill brook & to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound: The seventh Lott to John Edy & John manter about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound: The Eighth Lott to the ministers Lott about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook and to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound: The ninth Lott to Israel Luce about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound The Tenth Lott to James Allen & Israel Luce about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & so to Run parrallell as abovsd to the sound: The Eleventh Lott to James Allen & John Manter about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & so to Run Parrellell as abovsd to the sound: The Twelfth Lott to Thomas Look & Samuel Merrey about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & so to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound

The Thirteenth Lott to James Allen about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & so to Run Parrallell as abosd to the sound

The Forteenth Lott to James Allen about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & so to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound

The Fifteenth Lott to Joseph Daggett & John Tucker about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & so to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound:

The sixteenth Lott to James Allen about 24 Rods in breadth butting on sd brook & to Run Parrallell as abovsd to the sound:

And there is also a way Layed out of about 3 Rods broad from the sd brook to the sound between y^e^ Ministers Lott & Israel Luces Lott to & for y^e^ generall use of those Interested in the abov sd allotment & to no other: & that there be a Convenient way over sd Lotts if Reall occasion bee; by Gates or barrs:

Tisbury Date March y^e^ 15th 1699.

Recorded y^e^ 2^d^ day of Feb^ry^ 173$^1/_2$ ℘ Jabez Athearn *Clerk* } By us Sam^ll^ Merry and Sam^ll^ Athearn being thereto Chosen & appointed by the Proppriators

March 23^d^ 1699 Mr Beniamine manter is Chosen Constable for the Town of Tisbury for this preasent year by vot at a Legall Town meeting

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

march 23^d^ 1699 m^r^ Joseph daggit mr John manter and mr peter Robinson is Chosen secelect men for the Town of Tisbury at a Legall Town meeting for this preasent year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

march 23^d^ 1699 Robert Cathcart is Chosen Town Clark for this preasent year for the Town of Tisbury

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

march 23^d^ 1699 mr John Edy is Chosen Tything man for the town of Tisbury for this preasent year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

march 23^d^ 1699 mr Edward Cotle is Chosen overseer of the highwayes in the town of Tisbury for this preasent year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

November 29th 1699 voted at a Leagall Town meeting by the freeholders of Tisbury that James Allen Samuell Mery and Samuell Athern shall lot out all the Comon land on the west side of the old mill Brook to Every man his proportion in quantity and quallity according to their best Judgment

by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

November 29th 1699 voted at a Leagall town meeting that the sellect men ar Impoured forthwith to defend defend this Towns Right against any Indian or Indians that shall Intrude. upon the same

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

november 29th 1699 voted at a Leagall Town meeting by the maiger part of the Town that this meeting house shall be put in Convenient Repair

Robart Cathcart *Clark*

For as much as wee whose names are under written ware Chosen and Impowered by the freeholders of the Township of Tisbury in dukes County to devide certaine Lands lying and being in said township as namely all the Common on the west side of the old mill Brook home to Chilmark line with wayes Convenient therto which accordingly wee have done into sixteen allotments as followeth vis first wee Layed out a highway of three Rods brod from the brook below Izerell Luce his house as doth appear by bushes marked to the highway that goeth up to the head of Jerimiah whitnyes Lot and from thence a long by the heads of the lots untill it come to meet with the heighway at the head of John manters Lot which goeth down to the meeting house on the westward of which way is fourteen Lots and on ye Eastward two: the first lot is by John Cases bounded on the sowthward by Thomas Looks land on the westward by John Cases land on the Estward by the heighway and on the northward by by trees marked and so in like manner unto the thirteenth whis is at waskosims bounded on the Estward by a tree marked at the Corner of the feild on the west by a heap of stones on the northward by a bush marked and on the southward by a Rock the fourteenth lot is the fourteenth lot is bounded on the southward by the thirteenth lot and on the northward by ye brook on the Est by Izeraell Luce his swamp on the west by harlocks land the fifteenth lot is on the Estward of the abovesaid heighway bounded on the westward by the heighway on the northward by the brook on the Estward by two trees marked and on the south

by the heads of the lots the sixteenth lot is bounded on the northward by and Estward by the swamp or Riever by the southward and westward by James Allens land and two trees marked and there is a Convenient way to be allowed from the heighway over the twelfth to the thirteenth and fourteenth lots by gats or bars as also a way betwen the first and second lots up to the head of John Case his ground morover it is ordered that that the Clay be researved to the use of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury and sutible way allowed thereto by gats or bars over mens Lands the nearest to the heighway and further more wee have devided the Common on the westward of the mill into sixteen lots as doth apeare by the bounds thereof beginning with the first by the mill pond and so to the sixteenth to the line witness our hands this 27th day of bebruary $\frac{1699}{1700}$

JAMES ALLEN
the mark of) SAMUELL MERRY
SAMUELL ATHERN

february 27 : $\frac{1699}{1700}$ it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting by the maiger part of the freeholders that all the Common land on the west side of the old mill brook being devided into sixten allotments shall be drawn for by sixteen propriators according to their preasent Right

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

february 27 : $\frac{1699}{1700}$ it is voted at a leagall Town meeting that any propriator having Cut any stuff timber fencing stuff or otherwise before drawn for shall have 7 dayes Time to Carry the same away from of the said land

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

february 27 : $\frac{1699}{1700}$ it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting that samuell merry Samuell Athearn and Ichabod Allen shall lay out apart of the Comon land on the Est side of the old mill brook into sixteen allotments for the propriators of the Town of Tisbury according to the best of their discreation in quantity and quality

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

March 12th $\frac{1699}{1700}$ voted at a Leagall Town that John Cotle shall serve in the ofice of a Constable for the Town of Tisbury for this preasant year

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

March 12th $\frac{1699}{1700}$ Simon Athern John Edy and samuel merry is voted for by the maiger part of Town at a Leagall Town meeting to serve for secelect men for this preasant year

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

March 12th $\frac{1699}{1700}$: it is voted by the maiger part of the Town at a Leagall Town meeting that Thomas Look shall sarve in the office of a Tithing man for this preasant year

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

March 12th $\frac{1699}{1700}$ it is voted that Robert Cathcart is shall serve for Town Clark for this preasant year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

For as much as Wee Whose Names are under Written were Appointed and Impowered by the freeholders Propriators of the Town of Tisbury to Divide Certain Lands lying in said Township on the East side of the old Mill brook. As Namly, All the Commons between Zachares and the nothermost part of William Peabodys Purchas and so Eastward to the Ragged Plain which we Accordingly have Done into Sixteen Allotments, Bounded as followeth.

First we laid out a Way two Rods broad from the head of John Edys Lott at the Pine hill, to run South and by East till it comes to Homes hole path: The first lott is by Zacharies land bounded on the South by Zacharies Land on the west by Mr. Allens Land and ye brook and the North by a bush Marked & to Run its breadth East untill it comes to the way which we laid out above mentioned: The Second Lott is bounded on the South by the first & on the west by the brook and on the North by a bush Marked & to Run its breadth East untill it comes to to the abovsd. way. The Third Lott is bounded on the South by a Tree marked on the west by the brook on the north by a tree marked & to Run as the other doth and so all bounded in Like manner to the ninth wch is bounded on the South by the Eighth on the north by John Edys land and on the west by the brook and so to run East to the sd way The Tenth Lott is bounded on the south by John Edys Land & on the west by a Run of Water on the North by a bush Marked and to run East its breadth half a mile. The Eleventh Lott is bunded on ye South by the Tenth on ye West by the abovsd Run of water and on the North by a bush Marked and to run East half a mile. The Twelfth lott is bounded on the South by the Eleventh on the West by the Run of water on the North by the bounds

of William Peabodys Purchase and to Run its breadth half a Mille: The Thirteenth Lott is to the Eastward of the abovs^d^ way bounded on the westward by the s^d^ way & the heads of the Lotts at the Pine hill and on the East by the Cart way that goeth up the bottom to Robert Luces and on the North by William Peabodys Purchase. The forteenth Lott is bounded on the west by the aforsd Cart way to Robert Luces, & on the East by homeses hole path and on the North by the Line in the first purchase: The fifteenth & Sixteenth Lotts are Together Including all the Land within William Peabodys Purchase from homeses hole path Eastward and Southward to the Mill Path

Dated March ye 15th 1700

SAMUEL MERREY SAM^LL^ ATHEARN

(No 1.)

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Very Reverend Sir

Mr Russell we Render you many harty thanks for all the Christian fatherlike Care and pains you have taken for our Better Settlement and now again for your further Care of and Advice to us: we Express our Thankfullness: In acting accordingly: to wit: at a Legall town meeting held held at the meetting house: in Tisbury this 28th of May 1700: it is agreed upon to give Twenty pounds pr Annum to be raised by assesment: on all Rateble Estates and Inhabitants of Tisbury & precincts as the Contry Tax is towards the support of an orthodox: Learned and pious person: to be our settled minister: therein: and we humbly pray all such persons of honor as are Concerned in power: to ad to sd 20^ll^ sum other way: that such a minister may be able to Live upon: for our poverty and other nessesary Charg is such that we Cannot promis above 20^ll^ ℔^r^ year

and further we desire the very Reverend m^r^ Jonathon Russell minister of Barnstable to send mr stone: or sum other orthodox Lerned and pious person: as soon as may be to give us a visit in order to setlment in the work of the ministre in Tisbury: if the will of god be so

Very Reverend Sir

Mr Russell: we Render you hearty Thanks for all the Christian fatherlike Care and paines you have taken for our Better Settlement: and now again for your Care of and Advice to us: we express our thankfullness in acting accordingly to wit: at a Legall Town meeting held at the meeting house in Tisbury: this 28th of May 1700 It is agreed upon to give twenty pounds pr annum to be raised by assesment on all Rat-

able Estates and Inhabitants of Tisbury and prcints as the Contry Tax is Towards the support of an orthodox Lerned and pious person: to be our setled minister: who is also to Inherrit for Ever a valluable possesion of Lands: saved for him in tisbury: being the first setlled minister therin and we humbly pray all such persons of honor as are Concened in power to Ad: unto sd 20ll sum other way that such a minister may be able to live upon: for our poverty & other nessesary Charge is such that we Cannot promise above 20ll pr year: an further we desier: the very Rev mr Jonathon Russell minister of Barnstable to send mr stone: or sum other orthodox Lerned and pious person as soon as may be to give us a visit in order for setlment in the work of the ministry in Tisbury if the will of god be so the above writen is voted at a Legall Town meeting by the maiger part of the freeholders then preasent this 28 May 1700

Thomas Look Enters his dissent
against the above writen — Robert Cathcart *Clark*

July 23: 1700 voted at a Town meeming by the maiger part of the freeholders that Roberbert Cathcart shall go to barnstable a mesenger for this Town to accompany mr John Robinson over in order for setlement in the work of the ministry in Tisbury — Robert Cathcart *Clark*

and also it is voted July 23: 1700 by the maiger part of ye freeholders that mr John Robinson shall at his Comming Take up his place of Residence at Simon Atherns house

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

Know all men by these precints that I Samuell mery of Tisbury on marthas vinyard in the province of the masitusits bay do by these presints sell Ratifie and Confirme unto Thomas Look: of Tisbury afore sd the three half sheres of Land both upland and medow land with all priviliges and appurtinances thereunt belonging and being with the severall nukes of land lying and being within the Township of Tisbury aforesd to wit half a share in the nuke Called Charlses nuke and half a share in the nuke Called posqunahammuns his nuke and the other half share in the nuck Called the scruby nuke to the said Thomas Look his heirs Administratours or Assigns to have hold possess and inioy for Ever from and against me the sd Samuell mery my heirs Administratours or Assigns for Ever Claiming any Right Title or Intrest thereunto or unt any part or parsill therof for Ever and this I have dun for and in Consideration of the full and Just sum of five pounds to me in hand payed by the sd Thomas Look to my full satisfaction and Content before the signing and

sealling hereof and in witness and Confirmation here of I have Caused this my deed of Seal to be made and have herunto subscribed with my hand and put to my seal this thirteenth day of september and in the twelfth year of his maiesties Raine annoquit doming 1700

the marks and seal of SAMUEL MERY

Signed Sealled and delivered
in preasants of ZACCHEUS MAYHEW
BETHSHEBA MAYHEW

the above mentioned Samuell mery aproved before me the day and year above mentioned and acknowledged to the above writen deed of seal to be his act and deed

THOMAS MAYHEW
Justice of the peace

whereas all the then before Common Land betwen the said old and new mill Brooks or Rivers in Tisbury was Layed out into sixteen lots: by men appointed by the freeholders in said Town Tisbury as may apeare on Record with the Buts and Bounderies therof: Be it known to all men by this Record that Simon Athearn of Tisbury had the second lot and the sixteenth lot fallen to him by draft in the devission of said land and bounded as in y^e order of devission Bareing Date february: 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$

Entred on Record this 14th August: 1700 by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

November 25th: 1700 Simon Athern Peter Robinson John manter and Samuell merry are Chosen in the behalfe of the Town to Consult together and draw up a pettion to the Genarall Court in order for abatment of the overburdened Tax on Tisbury: in discretion and also to appoynt som person to offer and to prosticute sd petetion before the Generall Court

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

whereas all the then before Common Land between the said old and new mill Brooks or Rivers in Tisbury was Layed out into sixteen lots: by men appointed by the freeholders in sd Town Tisbury as may apear on Record with the buts and bounderies thereof, Be it known to all men by this Record that Thomas Look and samuell merry had the thirteenth lot fallen to them by draft in the devision of said land and bound as in order of devision baring date february 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$

Entred on Record this 23^d January $\frac{1700}{1}$

by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

the above thirteenth Lot was devided by Lot between Thomas Look and samuell merry wherof the south side fell to Thomas Look and the north side to Samuell mery Entred on Record this 23d: January $\frac{1700}{1}$ by me
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

wheras all the then Common land on the west side of the new mill Brook in Tisbury was layed out into sixteen lots by men apoyented by the freeholders of sd Town Tisbury as apears on Record with the buts and boundries therof Be it known to all men by This Record that the third fourth sixth seventh tenth and Eleventh lots fell to Samuell merry to him by Draft in the Devition of sd land boundas in order of devition baring Date fabruary 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$ Entred on Record this 27th January $\frac{1700}{1}$ by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

wheras the land on the north side of the old mill Brook was formerly devided into sixteen lots wherof the Eleventh lot now belonging to Thomas Look and samuell merry and the said Thomas Look and Samuell merry have devided by lot wherof the west side fell to Thomas Look and the Est side fell to samuell merry Entred on Record this 27th: January $\frac{1700}{1}$ by me ROBERT CATHCART
Clark

whereas all then before Common Land betwen the saide old and new mill Brooks or Rivers in Tisbury was layed out into sixteen lots: by men appointed by the freeholders in saide Town Tisbury as apears on Record with the Buts and boundries therof: be it known to all men by this Record that James Allen had the fourteenth Lot fallen by Draft to him in the devition of sd land and bounded as in order of Devision baring date february 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$ Entred on Record this 27th; January $\frac{1700}{1}$ by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

wheras all the then before Common land betwen the saide old and new mill Brooks or Rivers in Tisbury was layed out into sixteen lots: by men appointed by the freeholders in sd Town Tisbury as apears on Record with the buts and boundries therof: Be it known to all men by this Record that the tenth lot fell to Ichabod Allen by draft to him in the Devition of sd Land and bounded as in order of devition baring Date february 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$ Entred on Record this 27th January 27th: $\frac{1700}{1}$ by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

wharas all the then before Common land betwen the saide old and new mill Brooks or Rivers in Tisbury was layed out into sixteen lots: by men appoynted by the freeholders in sd Town Tisbury as apears on Record with the Buts and Boundries therof: be it known to all men by by this Record the fifth lot fell to John manter to him by Daft in the devision of sd land and bounded as in order of devition baring Date february 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$ Entred by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark* $\frac{1700}{1}$
Janu 27th: $\frac{1700}{1}$

wheras all the then Common land on the west side new mills Brook in Tisbury was layed out into sixteen lots by men apoynted by the freeholders of saide Town Tisbury as apears on Record with the buts and boundries therof: be it known to all men by this Record. that the first lot fell to John manter by Draft to him in Devition of saide land and bound as in order of devition baring Dat february 27th: $\frac{1699}{1700}$ Entred by me

ROBERT CATHCART
Janu 27th: $\frac{1700}{1}$ *Clark* $\frac{1700}{1}$

know all men by this Record that wheras the above saide Thomas Look and Samuell mery did devide the above Eleventh Lot in the above-said devition in length have now agred to devide it a Crose wherof the south end is Samuell meries and the north end is Thomas Look: the bounds between is a little pond about the midle of saide land on the north side of the great hill and treas marked on Ech side of the saide pond

Entred on Record this 25th february $\frac{1700}{1}$ ꝑ me
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

whereas we the subscribers hereof ware Chosen appointed by the propriators of Tisbury to lay out unto Samuell athearn of sd Tisbury: one Eighth Part of a certaine tract of land or parcell of the undivided land in the Town being part of a sertain Tract or parcel of

wheras all the then before Common land on the west side of the new mill Brook in Tisbury was Layed out in to sixteen lots by men appoynted by the freeholders of the said Town Tisbury as appears by Record with the buts and bounderies therof be it known to all men by this Record that the Eighth lot fell to Thomas Look to him by draft in

the devision of saide land bounded as in order of devition baring date fabruary 27th: 1000 Entred on Record this 25th day of february $\frac{1700}{1}$ ꝑr me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

This Record may sertyfie that wharas the third fourth sixth seventh tenth and Eleventh lots in the devition of lands fell to Samuell merry on the west side of the new mill brook or River: and the thirteenth lot in the devition of lands between the two mill brooks or Rivers did fall by draft in the devision of saide lands to Thomas Look and samuell merry know ye the above saide Thomas Look and Samuell merry to have Changed Thomas Look is to have the six lots which fell by draft in the devition of lands one the west side the new mill brook or River to samuell merry for the half lot which fell by draft in the devision of lands between the two mill brooks or Rivers which fell to Thomas Look and Samuell merry at waskasims being the thirteenth Lot which is now Samuell merries in Exchange with Thomas Look Entred on Record this 25th: $\frac{1700}{1}$ by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

Jun 12th: 1701 it is voted and agreed upon by the maiger part of the freeholder and other Inhabitants then met at a Leagall Town meeting that there shall be built in Tisbury a new meetinghouse after the mannar and dementions of the meetinghouse in Chillmark and it is also voted that Simon Athern and Robert Cathcart shall agree with a Carpinter in behalf of This Town Tisbury to build the said meeting house as Cheap as they Can Entred by me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

Jun 12th: 1701 it is voted at a Leagall town meeting by the by the maiger part of the freeholders and other Inhabitants that Ebenezer Allen and Robert Cathcart in the behalf of the This town Tisbury that they shall prossicute the obtaining of an orthodox minister for this Town in way and manner as hath been heartofore prossicuted by this Town

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

Know all men by thes preasants that I James Allen of Chillmark do give and grant unto the Town of Tisbury an acker of Land Lying within abigall peses fence for Ever for a burying place and to set a meeting house on free from me my heirs or assigns for Ever

october 2d: 1701

James Allen

I Simon Athearn of Tisbury in Dukes County having offered to the Town of Tisbury a Mortgage Deed of Sale of a Certain Percell of Land and Allso Percells of Land bought of Josias Sachem of Taakemmy oferred at a Town Meeting held March ye 26th 1701. and Jeremiah Whitne did Since Inquire after s^d Lands Proffered: — Now Again I Simon Athearn this second Day of October 1701. offereth the same lands in Writing unto the freeholders of Tisbury: Perticularly & Namely as followeth: To wit a Mortgage Deed of Sale of a Certain percell of Land lying & being in Tisbury Butting on the Sound or North shoar & bunded as in said Deed of sale sold by Josias alias Kettannumin Sachem of Taakemmy for & at the sum of sixteen Pounds moncy: and forfitted from the Last day of August 1698. said Deed of sale bareth date the 5th of Aprill 1698 & was Entered on Record July 25th 1698. in folio 158 ℘ Matthew Mayhew Register — If they the said free holders of Tisbury Do and Shall well & truely pay unto me the said Simon Athearn my Heirs & Assigns the said sum of sixteen Pounds in money & all Due Interest for said Principall with Cost & Charges Riseing in or about the same and all said Payments to be well & truly paid me on or before the Last day of October 1701. (Also I Simon Athearn of Tisbury in Dukes County offereth the two percells of Land bought of Josias Sachem of Taakemy by me to wit a Percell of Land by Wampachee and the Percell of Land bought of Josias called the Red Ground by William Rogerses House in Tisbury unto the freeholders of Tisbury If they the s^d freeholders of Tisbury Do & shall well & truly pay unto me the said Simon Athearn my heirs & Assigns all Due Cost Charges & Damages that I the said Simon Athearn have been att & Suffered in building & Defending said Land; All said payments to be made unto me Simon Athearn on or before the Last day of October 1701. The above written Premises is Offered at a Town meeting in Tisbury this Second Day of October 1701.

By me Simon Athearn

All the above written Premises of Lands as Within mentioned in this Paper with all the Conditions Included, I the said Simon Athearn of Tisbury Do now again offer unto the freeholders of Tisbury on Condition that they the said freeholders Do well & Truly pay to the said Simon Athearn his heirs and Assigns all the aforsaid Cost and Charges as before mentioned, on or before the last Week in Aprill In this Present year. Dated at Tisbury this Thirtieth Day of March 1702 Offered by me Simon Athearn

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury october 1701 by the maiger part of the Inhabitants of the same and precincts that mr Josias Toary shall be the minister of Tisbury accordin to their former proseeding for the call and setlment of a minister in Tisbury

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

Thomas Look Enters his decent against the above writen vott Joseph daggit Enters his desent against the above writen vott. Edward Cotle Senier enters his decent against the above writen vott. Zachariah houser Enters his decent against the above writen vott

it is voted by the maiger part of the freeholders at a Town meeting that Edward milton shall have apice of Land which Lyeth Common Lying between the ministers Lot on the Est side of the old mill River and simon Atherns Lot next zachary housers provided the saide Edward milton doth build and Inhabit the same within one year: but to be Rembred there shall a highway Run through the saide pice of Land in sum Convenient place in Length for a possesion to him and his heirs for Ever

october 2d: 1701

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

The lot which formerly belonged to daniell stuard in the Litle neck to the suthard of John Edyes house lot is bounded as followeth on the north side by a fence and on the East by a hedge and ditch and one the west by the old mill River on the south by Jeremiah whitnies Lot by the Information of Joseph merry

Recorded by me Robert Cathcart

it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held the second day of october 1701 by the maiger part of th Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury and precincts that the sellect men or assessers shall asses the Inhabitants therof the sum of sixty pounds for the building a new meeting house in Tisbury and also to Collect the same in order to be Collected accordin to Law

Entred by me Robert Cathcart.

it is also voted october 2d: 1701 that the new meeting house shall be set upon an acker of land which Lieth within abigall peses fence which land mr James allen granted to this town for a buring place

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

october 2d: 1701 it is voted by the maiger part of of the freeholders at a Leagall town meeting that Tisbury do pettion to the General Court that Dukes County may be anext to the County of barnstable with . . . not to attend the Courts Except nessasary ocation ariseth from amongst us and that the Register of Lands of the Island be kept on marthas vinyerd

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is allso voted october 2d: 1701 that there shall be aded to the province Tax next made: the sum of Eleven shillings to pay the Clark for Charge of offering our pettion to the generall Court for abatment of the province Tax on Tisbury

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

wheras it was voted at a Legall Town meeting held in Tisbury by the maiger part of the Inhabitants therof that the sellect men an assesors should assess the Town and precincts the sum of Sixty pounds for the building a new meeting house in Tisbury and they Refused wherfore it is voted at a Town meeting held the second day of december 1701 that Simon Athern Robert Cathcart and Experience Luce shall assess the Town of Tisbury and precincts the saide sum of Sixty pounds Entred pr me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is voted at a Town meeting held in Tisbury the second day of december 1701 that Peter Robinson and Experience Luce shall Recive in of the people of the Town and preacincts what they are willing to allow to mr Tory for this preasant year for his Labour and pains in the work of the ministry Entred by me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

we the subscribers; Being apointed by the Propriators of the neck of Land comonly called Tississa in Tisbury: to divide sd neck unto sixteen allot allotments with wayes sufficient to Each priators land which accordingly we have done; first in order we have laid out a way 4 Rods brod from the midle of the old ditch down ye midle of the neck to the head of the Cove: to part one Each side of the Cove Convenient To Each mans land; the first lot on the west side of the neck about thirty Rods in breadth: bounded on the north by the old ditch: on the west by the pond: on the Est by the above sd way: on the south by a bush marked:

the second lot is next adjoyning southward about 30 Rods broad: bounded on the north by the first lot: on the west by the pond: on the East by the abovesd way: on the south by a bush marked: the 3d lot about 20 rods broad: bounded on the north by the second: on the west by the pond: on the south by a stake on the north by sd way; the 4th lot is about 42 rods in breadth bounded on the north by the 3d lot: on the west by the pond: on the south by a bush marked: on the East by the sd way: the 5th lot is about 42 rods in breadth bounded on the north by the 4th lot: on the west by the pond on the south by a bush marked: on the East by the way abovesd, the 6th lot about 24 rods in breath: bounded on the north by the 5th on the west by the pond: on the south by a bush marked: on the Est by the middle of the Cove: at the little pond: the 7th lot is bounded on the north by the sixth lot: westwardly by the pond: on the south by the land heretofore granted to Simon Athern; on the East by the middle of the Cove: at the little pond; the 8th lot at farthermost point of Tississa about 25 rods in breadth the Est west & south by the ponds on the north by a stak stuck down; the 9th lot is a bout 24 rods in breadth bounded on the south by the 8th lot by the East and west by the ponds on the north by a stake stuck down; the 10th lot is about 20 rods in breadth: bounded on the south by the 9th lot on the East and west by the ponds on the north by a stack stuck down the 11th lot is 25 rods in breadth bounded on the south by the 10th lot on the East by the pond: on ye west by the middle of the Cove of the little pond on the north by a stake; the 12th lot is about 26 rods in bredth bounded on the south by the 11th lot on the East by the pond on the west by the middle of the Cove, at the little pond the 13th lot is about 35 rods in breadth bounded on the south by ye 12th on the East by the pond on the west by the abovesd sd way on ye north by a bush marked; the 14th lot is about 55 rods in breadth bounded on the south by the 13th lot on the East by the pond on ye west by sd way on the north by a bush marked the 15th lot is 70 rods in breadth bounded on the south by the 14th lot on the East by the pond on ye west by sd way on the north by a bush marked the 16th lot is about 85 rods in breadth bounded on the south by ye 15th lot on the East by the pond on the north by the old ditch yt Croseth the neck on ye west by the abovsd way date February ye 23d 170½

This is a True Coppy Taken out of ye originall this 18th day Aprill 1705 by me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

Samuell Athearn
Izeraell Luce

March 30th 1702 voted at a Leagall Town meeting that Samuell Athern Thomas Chase and Experience Luce shall serve for over seears or sellect men for this Town of Tisbury for this following preasant following year Entred pr me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

march 30; 1702 voted at a Leagall Town meeting that samuell merry shall sarve in the office of a constable for this preasant year Entred pr me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted the Same day that peter Robinson shall serve for Town Treasurer for the following year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

This is the Record of of a pice of swamp and upland Layed out to Joseph daggit being the fifth Lot in devition from a place Called waskosims whare the first Lot begins which saide fifth Lot is bounded as followeth by survaiers apointed bounded on the south by a pice of swamp heartofore Layed out to arthor beven and on the Est by the brook and on the north by a Cart way going over the brook and so to a small blak oak saplin standing on the side of the hill and so on the west by the side of the hill Entred this 3 day of Jun 1702 by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

July 17th 1702 at a Town meeting held in Tisbury it was voted by the maiger part then preasant that the meeting house should be sould at an outcry also it was agreed upon that he that bid most at three times going Round should have it and at the last Time of biding which was the third Time of asking on the third going Round Robert Cathcart was the bider who bid five pounds six shillings

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagall Town held in Tisbury this 29th day of march 1703 that Ichabod Allen shall Serve in the office of a Constable for the following year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

March 29th 1703 it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury this 29th day of march 1703 that John manter Icaac Robinson and Jabez Athern shall Serve for selectmen for this this Town for the following year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

March 29th 1703 it is voted that Edward Milton shall serve in the office of survaier of the highwayes for the following year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury this 29th day of march 1703 that this Town and precincts be taxed the sum of three pounds and ten shillings and put into the town Treasurers hands to defray nesesery Charges arising on this Town

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

voted att a Legall Town meeting held on Aprill the 26 : 1703 that Peter Robinson should serve as Commishoner for Tisbury to Joyne with the Late select men or assesors of Tisbury to act and do as the law directs in gethering and making an Exact list of the Ratable Estate in Tisbury and to Joyne with the Commisheners at the sise Town

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

It is voted at a Leagal Town meeting held in tisbury this 11th day of may 1703 that this Town and precincts Shall be assesed the sum of thirty shillings to defray nessesary Charges arrising on this town and put into the town Treasurers hand

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury by the propriators and other Inhabitants that Robert Cathcart shall Erect and maintain a sufficiant pound for this Town for the space of twenty years from the Date of these preasent dated sept 27 : 1703

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is also voted that the said Robert Cathcart shall be pound keeper for the Time above perfixed

ROBET CATHCART

voted at a Town meeting Legally warned that Simon Athern Joseph daggit and John Cottle shall in the behalf of this Town forthwith go and procure three Indifferant Indians of good Report to Joyn with them to settle and Run the Lyne between Nashowkemuck and Tisbury & on the Est side Tisbury

september 27th 1703

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

The testimony of Sam mackakunit an Indian of nunpoak and a member of the Church of Indians on marthas vinyerd & a preacher to sum of them being of full age who saith in his perfect knowledg: that by the agreement of the old sachckims & Cheefe men of nunpoag: on the one side, and the old sachims & Cheefe men of Takymmy on the other side, that the bounds was agreed upon and settled by them: that is at the black water or weechpoquasit being the pond and Run of water: into the sound and said bounds to Run southwardly as the said Run of water Cometh from the spring, Called, ponkquatesse, and from said spring of water. to the midle of watchet. on ye south side of this Iland so that all the Est side of said bounds to belong unto nunpoak, and on the west side of said ponds unto Takymmy, which bounds was so settelled many years ago: the above written was Testified by the said sam: makakunnet and also by Isaac an Indian of full age, being also a member of the Christian Church of Indians: on this Iland the vinyerd and accounted a nunpoak Indian and also pattook, being an Indian maiestrate do Testifie the same bounds to be true: with them. this first day of october; 1703 Joseph daggit being Interpreter and written at weechpoquaset

PAATTOOH *Justice of peace*

Taken before me STEPHEN SHOKOW *Justice of peace*
for the Indians of Takymy

Entred this fourth day of october 1703
by me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

whereas we Japhet hannit Isaac wannalla Jacob sokkokkono Joshua seiknout sachim samuell. mackkacunit and pautoh. Late sachim of Checkemmo was notified by mr Experience Mayhew or his order that wee ware Chosen by mr Nathon skiff and nathon Bassit sellect men of Chilmark: and by simon Athern and John Manter of Tisbury to be a Committy of Indians to goe on monday the seventh day of Feburary and shew the place that is Called weechpooquasset: brook of water and the bounds between the Land Called Cheeckemmo: and the sachimship of Takymmy. and we being met together at the north shore. on marthas vinyerd at the place Called weechpoquasset: with divers others of our adged and Cheif Indian men being preasent & also mr Nathon skiff and nathon basset. sellect men of Chillmark being preasent and mr Josiah Torry and John daggit. being preasent. and Simon Athern Joseph daggit and John manter men appointed of Tisbury being preasent at weechpooqusset on the seventh day of February anno domy 170$^{3}/_{4}$ we whose

names are under written doe Determine that the brook of water that runeth into the sound: being to the Estward of onkkekemmo pond is the only aintient place Called weechpooquasset and the True line and bounds between Checkemmo: and Takymmy as the said brook or rum of water lyeth from a sartain spring of water Called ponquatisse which spring is to the north Est of Thomas butlers now dwelling house. and the land on the Est side of the said ponquetissee run or brook of water is Checkemmo land hear to fore belonging to the sachim Towantaquit: and on the west side of the saide ponquetissee and wechpoquassit watter: is the land of Takymmy sachimship now Called Tisbury: here to fore bellonging to the sachm Josias Joshua seikunit Japhet hannit Jacob sokkonopatoo Isaac wanata Sam mackkacunit

this is a True Coppy Taken out of the originall this seventeenth day of march 170$^{3}/_{4}$ by me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury March 20 170$^{3}/_{4}$ that Thomas Look John manter and Samuel Athern shall serve as over seers or sellect men for the Town of Tisbury for this preasent year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is further voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury this 20th of march 170$^{3}/_{4}$ that Isaac Robinson shall serve in the office of a Constable for this preasant year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted at a Leagall Town meeting that Joseph daggit shall serve as a sealler for the Town of Tisbury for this present year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted at the same Time that Robert Cathcart shall serve in the office of Survaier of the highwayes for the preasant year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

voted at a Leagall Town meeting that Experience Luce shall serve as Town Treasurer for the present year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

For & in Consideration of an Isue of a Controversie depending Between ye freeholders of Tisbury in dukes County & Thomas Butler of sd place viz: that sd Butler have and doe by these preasents release and discharge Isaac Chase Simon Athern & Joseph daggit of Tisbury from suffering any loss or damage by vertue of a Judgment of the inferiour Court held in Dukes County in october 1703 so that no Excicution of any Judgment found for sd butler against sd Chase Athern & daggit at sd court shall be taken out but for Ever bard & stayed as a thing dead in law and also the sd Isaac Chase simon Athern & Joseph daggit do by these presents release & discharge y^e sd Thomas butler from answering an apeal or renew about sd Judgment: moreover for peace sake the freeholders of Tisbury so far as it Concerns them do grant & it is voted by the maior of the freeholders of Tisbury preasent at a Leagoll Town meeting held there y^e 20th day of march 170$^3/_4$ that Thomas Butler is granted to have the feesimple right of all that land which Isaac Chase bought of the sachim Josias at wechpoquasset in Tisbury the deed bareing tate y^e 15th of august 1682 with his now dwelling house possesion to the southward of sd purchase to Thomas Butler to unite with town of Tisbury in peace & love; further more it is voted by the freeholders of Tisbury abovesd that if the inhabitants of chillmarke shall at any Time: destrane upon the aforesd butler on the west of wechpoquassit or ponquatesse by vertue of any rat bill that shall by them from this time forward be made or procured and also provided that sd butler do prosecute against the said Inhabitants of Chillmark for sd money so distraned then said inhabitants of Tisbury to stand by and defend sd Butler in sd sute or sutes so prosocuted to afect and make up to sd Butler all his damages sustained if any be in sd prosocutions by and if at any Time the sd Thomas Butler fall with within the bounds of Chillmark by vertue of any lyne fairly made then we y^e Inhabitants of Tisbury to Reimburs all the money heretofore Taken by Distrant by any Constable belonging to Tisbury from sd Thomas Butler Consented by me Thomas Butler

voted at a Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury this 20th day of march 170$^3/_4$

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

At a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury August y^e 16th 1704 it is voted by the maior part of the freeholders then assembled that all the ministers Lands in Tisbury with all the privelliges thereto belonging be mr Josiah Torrys who is now minter of Tisbury; for an inheritance for

Ever he Taking office in the work of the ministrie in Tisbury; and in Consideration that if at any time the saide ministers Lands be sould that the sellect men of Tisbury have the Refusall in proffer to buy said lands for the use of the Town and ministrie for Ever

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is also voted this 16th of august by the freeholders then assembled that mr James Allen Esquir gather all the acts Relating to the ministers Lands in Tisbury and to Commit them to the Town Clark of Tisbury in order to be Entred on the Records of Tisbury by me

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury this fourteenth day of March 1705 that Robert Cathcart shall serve in the office of Town Clark for this preasent year

it is also voted this fourteenth day of March 1705 by the maior part of the freeholders then assembled that John Manter Experience Luce and Samuell Athern shall serve in ye office of sellect men or Townsmen for Tisbury for this preasent year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is also voted this fourteenth day of march 1705 by the maior part of the freeholders then assembled yt mr Experience Mayhew shall serve in the office of a Constable this following year Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is voted by the maior part of the freeholders assembled this fourteenth day of March: 1705 that Beniamin Manter Robert Cathcart Samuell Athern shall serve for fence vewers for this following year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is also voted this fourteenth day of march: 1705 by the freeholders then assembled that Experience Luce shall serve in the office of Town Treasurer for this Town for the following year

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

March 19th 1705 william Luce is Chosen Constable for the Ensuing year at a Leagall Town meeting

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

It is voted at a Town meeting Leagally warnd held March ye 30th 1706 that Samuell Athern shall serve in the office of a Constable for the year Ensueing but Refused

Entred by me Robert Cathcart *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held this 30th day of March: 1706 that Jabez Athern shall serve in the office of a Constable for ye year Ensueing

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

samuell Athern Takes on him the office of Constable to Eas his brother Jabez

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

It is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held this 30th of March: 1706 that Jabez Athern Ichabod Allen and Thomas Chase shall serve as overseers or sellectmen for this Town for the year Ensueing

Robert Cathcart *Clark*

The order of division of Charls his neck Allias seconquet into four quarters perfected this twenty Eighth day of march anno domi: one thousand seven hundred and seven is as followeth; the first quarter begineth at the head fence on ye East side Runeth downward toward the point about 232 Rhods; and bounded southely by a stake and a bush marked in A rainge upon a northwest line to the pond in ye midle of the neck and so by the pond side northerly to a stack stuck by ye meddow and from that stack upon a streight line northerly being the midle Line upto a pine pole pusht into the bank at and by the pond Esterly the had fence and by the pond Easterly; the second quarter includes all ye land to the southward of the first quarter within the said neck, bounded by the pond on each side; and a stake at the midle of the beach between ye two bigest poynts —

The third quarter is upon ye midle point: bounded at the point by the ponde & from thence Runing northerly about 152 Rhods and there bounded by a stacke & bush marked in a Rainge upon a northwest line; to the pond one the westward or to the afforsd midle line on ye Estward; and bounded on Each side by the pond and the affore sd stake at the beach: the fourth quarter viz bounded southerly by the third quarter: and Easterly by the midle line and northwardly by the head fence & westerly by the pond including the thumb

in the divission of the quarters Ebenezer Allen falleth to the East side to the first two quarters he for 5 shares and half and with him Samuell Athearn for one share where his house stands and John Tucker for half a shares and Joseph Norton for half a share; and Beniamin Eddy for half a share; Samuell Athearns share already bounded out about 50 Rods broad and so up to the midle Line; the third quarter upon the midle point to Jeremiah whitten and Joseph daggit Benjamin Eddy & Samuell Look; the fourth quarter to Samuell Athearn for three shares and John Manter for one share at the thumb already bounded out to him by the bond on the west and the and the Cove on the Est and a stake; and so northerly to a stake in the field so from thence upon a norwest Lyne by a stake in a Rainge to the pond

It is agreed upon by the propriators of seconquit that there be A Roadway into sd neck by gates or bares at the pine pole now standing in the bank in the head fence running down southerly upon ye midle lyne to the head of the cove and sufficient way to Each mans land by gates or bares from said way from sd way at the above saide and afore mentioned divisions are ordered stated and unanimously agreed upon by order and consent: of the propriators of seconquit by us the orderly dividers of saide neck signed by

Dated March y^e^ 28th 1707

SAMUELL ATHERN.
EBENEZER ALLEN.
Junr JOHN MANTER
BENIAMIN EDDY

Entred this fourth day of Aprill 1707; by me
ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clark of Tisbury*

att a Leagall town meeting in Tisbury March 31^t^=1707 tis voted by the Maior part of the propritours and Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury then Assembled y^t^ wheras the sd propriatours and Inhabitants passed a vot in a Leagall Town meeting held august 16th 1704 that all the lands and accomodations layed out and to be Layed out: in Tisbury to the minister be settled upon mr Josiah Torry for an Inheritance for Ever he takeing office in the ministrie amongst them, and whereas he sd mr Josiah Torry is and hath bin for sum time Regularly & Leagally settled in the office of a minister amongst us we do now further vote that all the said Lands and accomadations affore mentioned belonging to ye minister or ministry in Tisbury be fully and absolutely vested and settled upon the sd mr Josiah Torry; his heirs and assigns for an Inheritance for Ever free

from us and our heirs for Ever the sellect men having the Refusallas in the former vote; memorandum the line Enterlind was also voted at the same time

Entred this 31^{t} day of March: 1707 pr me
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagall Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 31^{t} day of March 1707 that Jobez Athern Beniamin Manter and Samuell Look shall serve for sellectmen or over seers of the poor for the year Ensuing
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is also vot this 31^{t}: 1707 that Isaac Robinson shall serve in the office of survayer of the highwayes for the year Ensuing
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagall town meeting held in Tisbury March ye 31^{t}: 1707 that all the Common lands on the south side of the highway Going to the old town divided into sixteen allotments to Each propriotour his proportion
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

We whose names are under writen being appointed and Impowred by the mai part of the proprioters of Chars his neck alias seconquit to divide sertain Lands att ye head of Charls his neck viz from ye head fence y^{t} now is: up to the head of the slows w^{h} a standing and sufficient Road across ye head of said neck, and down to the midle line of the former division of said neck: and first in order thereto we have layed out a highway from the head of the slow at ye deep bottum whare the Cart way now is of about four Rhods broad which runs upon A streight lyne southerly untill it Comes to a little bush marked standing by the Cart path att ye head of the slow on the Eastward side of Charlses neck, and about fourscore Rods westward of said marked bush near a bush marked by the Road there is a highway Layed out from sd Roade of about four Roads broad which Runs upon a straight line south westerly untill itt Comes to a litle bush marked standing upon the midle of the former division of Charlses neck where the pine pole now stands which high wayes are never to be shut or inchroht upon by any means whatsoever the divission of the above said lands is as followeth the south Eastward side of ye highway is for six lots bounded on the southward by the fence as it now stands at the head of sd neck and on the East by the run of

water and slow on the north and west by the highway and the upland on the westward side of the way is layed out to ten shares bounded on the southward by the fence on sd neck as it now stands & by ye eastward of the highway & northward partly by the highway and westward by the pond and run of water partly by a bush marked near the northwest Corner of said land; the six shares on the East side fall five and A half of them to Ebenezer allen and half a share to Isaac and Joseph Norton the ten shares on the west side the first foure of them southward next to the fence that is to Samuell Athern; the next share being the fifth to John Manter, the next being the sixth, to Beniamin Eddy and John Tucker the other foure shares to Samuell Look and Jeremiah whitten Joseph daggit and Beniamin Eddy, signed by us

SAM^ULL ATHERN
EBENEZER ALLEN
JUN^r JOHN MANTER
SAM^ULL LOOK

Dated Aprill ye 4th 1707
Entred this 12th day of Aprill 1707 pr me
ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clark of Tisbury*

it is voted at a Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury May ye 20th 1707 to mr Josiah Torry and mr Isaac Chase shall in the be half of this Town Joyn with these men which are or shall be Chosen in the behalf of the neighbouring Towns Edgertown and Chilmark To Chuse and Elect a Representitive to Represent the three Towns at her Maiesties Court held att Boston y^e 28 Instant

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held this tenth day of february 170$^{7}/_{8}$ that Thomas Chase do serve a Commissioner and Robert Cathcart John Manter Junr and beniamin Manter do serve as trustees to take and mak a valluation of all the Rateable Estate and poles of this Town and precinct

ROB^RT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held this twenty sixth day of March 1708 that Samuell Look shall serve in the office of a Constable for ye year Ensueing for this Town Tisbury Entred pr me

ROB^T CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held this twenty sixth day of March 1708 that Robert Cathcart John Mantor Junier and Beniamin Eddy shall serve as sellect men or over seers for this Town for the year Ensuing

ROB^RT CATHCART *Clark*

In observance of advice from her Maiesties Court of quarter sessions held at Edgertown in March 1707 to the sellect men of Tisbury to chuse and nominat men of this Town to Joyne with men Chosen and appointed by the Town of Chilmark to setle the bounds between Tisbury and Chekemoo being part of Chilmark it is voted at a Town meeting that Joseph daggit and John Manter Junier shall serve and act in that affaire for this Town Tisbury Entred this twenty sixth day of March: 1708
ROB^T CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held this twenty sixth day of march 1708 that Robert Cathcart shall serve in the office of a Town Clark for the year Ensueing Entred pr me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark* it is also voted the same day that Jabez Athearn shall serve in the office of a Town Treasurer for the year Ensueing for this Town Tisbury

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held this twenty sixth day of March 1708 y^t Ichabod Allen shall serve in the office of survaier of the highwayes for this preasent year

Entred by me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

It is voted at a Leagal town meeting that Robert Cathcart Samuell Athearn and Beniamin Eddy shall serve in the office of fence vuers for this preasent year for Tisbury

℘r me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held this 14th May 1708 by the Maior part of the propriators then assembled that this Town shall Joyne with the neighbouring town to wit Chilmark in the Choyce of a Representative to Represent this Town to sit in her Maiesties Great and Generall assembly held at Boston on the 26th Corrant it is also voted that

Experience Luce and samuell Merry shall Joyn with those men appointed in Chilmark to give instructions to the person Elected Representative for for Chilmark and Represent this Town in that affaire

ROBRT CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a Leagal Town meeting held this 14th day of May 1708. that whereas Captain Thomas Butler having been Rated divers years to Two towns to witt Tisbury and Chilmark to his grate detrement & and damage and now the saide thomas butler doth freely put himself under this Town Tisbury for the futter in the payment of all publique Taxes, wherefore it is now voted that the saide Thomas butler shall sit Rate free in this Town for the space of three years and halfe after the date of these preasents provided that Chilmark doth wholly omit Rateing the said Butler till such time as the bounds be setled between Tisbury and Chilmark on the Est side of Tisbury

Consented to pr me

THOMAS BUTLER

Entred pr me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

wheraas Certain lands on the north side of the old mill Brook to ye sound was divided by lot october the 22d: 1678 is now Run over again by men appointed by the propriators of saide Lands the second lot in the saide division is to Isaac Robinson and is bounded as followeth on the south buting against simon Athearns deeck and so to Run parallell nor norwest westerly as all the other lots of saide lands run to the sound which division being Run by samuell merry and samuell Athern men appointed as appeareth by a writing signed by them in ye year 1699 on the 15th day of March

Entred this 19th May 1708 pr me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

the third lot in saide division falls to Joseph daggit and Jeremiah whitny and is bounded as the rest of those lots all runing on the same point from the deeck to the Sound and is about 24 Rods in bredth as appears by the divssion bareing date as above

Entred this 19th day of May 1708 pr me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

The fourth forth Lot in the Divission of the lands on the north side of the ould mill River being divided by men appounted by the propria-

tors of the same fell to Simon Athearn being about 24 Rhods in breadth as appears by a writing Signed by men appointed to Renew sd bounds baring date october ye 22^{d} : 1678

Entred this 2^{d} : september : 1708 pr me
ROB^{RT} CATHCART *Clark*

It is voted at a leagal town meeting held in Tisbury Decem^{r} ye 21^{t} : 1708 that this Town and precinct shall be assessed ye sum of five pounds seven shillings and three pence due to Maior Beniamin Skiff for serving a Representative at the great and General Court at Boston for these three towns to wit Edgartown Tisbury and Chilmark that being Tisburys proportion of the sum of twenty pounds and five shillings for 81 dayes at 5^{s} ℘r deam in the year 1707

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

This Record shueth that wheras there are severall propriators in a neck of land in Tisbury Commonly known and Called by the litle neck doth find it needfull to have a high way to Each mans land Entred on the Records of Tisbury which doth begin at the ould town Rhode through John Eddyes land and from thence to run through Each mans propriaty as it now runs and hath been for divers years past to the point of sd neck Entred this Twenty sixth Day of February 170$\frac{9}{8}$

pr me ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

It is voted at a leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on the 4th day of May 1709 that mr Josiah Torrys sallary shall shall be Raisd yearly by way of a Rate on this Town and precinct

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

This Record shueth that wheras the Eighth lot in the Draft of the division of lands on the Common between the old and new mill Brooks or Rivers in Tisbury being in ye posession of Ebenezer Allen of Chilmark and Abner west of Tisbury : that the above sd Ebenazer allen doth Covenant and agree to and with the sd Abner west to take the westermost part viz to begin at the west Corner of saide lot and to run four score & five Rods in length Est and so to run a paralel line a Cross saide lot which westermost part he the saide allen is willing to take for or in lue of the one halfe of sd lot of land and the above saide Abner west doth take the Estermost part of sd lot of land for his part or half of sd lot of land

Entred this fourth day of June 1709
ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

June ye 8th : 1709 it is voted at a Town meeting Leagally warned and held at the usual place in Tisbury that John Manter shall serve in the office of a Constable for this present year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

voted at a leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 18th day of Jne in ye year 1709 that Jabez Athearn shall serve an Asseser for this preasent year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

and also it is voted at the above Town meeting that Abner west shall serve in the office of a Constable for this preasent year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

At a Town meeting held on the 20th July 1709 was a vote passed for the Taxing this Town and precinct the sum of 45^{s} 4^{d} which maior Beni. Skiff demanded of this Town for serving a representative in the year 1708 which vote was Even without a Maior so that nothing was done therin

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

It is voted that John Manter Ichabod Allen Jabes Athearn shall serve in the office of Selectmen for this preasent year 1710

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Att A Great and General Court or Assembly for the Province of Massachusetts Bay held at Boston October 26th ye 1709 — The Bounds of Tisbury the Indian Town in Dukes County Survey^{d} and Reported by A Committe Viz

Pursuant to an order of the Great and Generall Court or Assembly began and held at Boston upon Wednesday the twenty fifth day of May, we John Otis and William Bassett in the Month of October following did lay out and run the Bounds of the Town of Tisbury in Dukes County and did also Settle the bounds of the Indian Town there according to the best information we could gett of the Indian Names mentioned both in ye Patent of Tisbury & the Indian Deed The bounds of Tisbury are as follows Viz^{t}

Begining at A great rock Lying in the wash of the Sea which is the known Bounds at the North Shore, thence running Southerly by marked Range trees according to the former agreement with the Town or Select-

men of Chilmark, till it come to the marked oak tree or Saplin Standing on the North Side of the Path called the School House path, and thence as that path Extends to the Mill river at the place called Tiasquin and thence down by that river to the Pond called the fresh Pond and thence extending round partly by the Said Pond and partly by the Beach until it comes to the lower end of the Watchet neck and thence running up the middle of that Neck into the Path that leads to Edgartown called the Mill Path, thence and running from A marked Pine tree Standing on the North Side of Said Path where Simon Newcombs path leads out of Said Mill Path — on a Straight Line to A Stake Standing on A Beach near the Wear at or near the place Calld Itchpoquassett at the North Shore, thence bounded by the Sea or Sound until it come to the first mentioned Rock Lying in the Wash of the Sea —

The Bounds of the Indian Town are as follows Vizt.

Beginning at the Stake Standing on the Eastern Side of the Is . . . at the Beach at or Near the place Call[d], Itchpoquassett thence Running Westerly by the Sea or Sound until it come to A Stake Standing at the East Corner of Mattaqua Pond by the fence and thence Running up Southerly by A Streight Line to A great Rock in the Field Calld Pasamick Field and from that Rock extending Easterly unto the Stake and Stones about it Standing = in the plain Land over against the House in which Robert Luce now dwelleth and thence running down on A Strait Line to A marked tree with Stones about it Standing on the head of the Pond Calld great James Pond Alias Itchpoquassett Pond and thence Down a Streight Line across the the Said Pond unto the first mentioned Stake Standing on the Beach

John Otis
W[m] Bassett

Read & Accepted by the Council and Assembly & ordered that the Town of Tisbury pay Sixth Sevenths and y[e] Indian Town one Seventh part of the charge of the committe

Consented to J. Dudley

Atrue Copy, Examined

℘ J. Willard, *Secty*

A Copy

A true Copy of and Old Manuscript as far as it was legable entered in this Bork March 14th y 1827

Attest W[m] Cottle } *Town Clerk*

voted at a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury this 14th day of March $170^{9}/_{10}$ that John Manter shall serve in the office of a constable for the Ensuing year; and Robert Luce hath Taken the oath of a Constable befor Esq norton to performe that office in John Manters stead pr me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark.*

it is also voted this 14th day of March 170^{10}_{9} that John Manter Jabez Athearn and Ichabod Allen shall serve as Townsmen or overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing

ROBRT CATHCART *Clark*

It is also voted this 14th day of March: $170^{9}/_{10}$ that Beniamin Manter shall serve in the office of survayer of the highwayes for this preasent year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Robert Luce Did take the oath of a Constable to Serve in ye stead of John Manter for ye year 1710 before Justice Norton on the 15th Aprill 1710

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

it is also voted that Beniamin Manter shall serve in the office of a survaier of the highwayes for this present year 1710

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Voted at a Leagal town held in Tisbury on ye 22d May 1710 that this Town do Joyne with the neighbouring towns to witt Edgertown and Chilmark in petitioning the Generall Court for an abatment in the provinces Tax by Reason of our great los both in our Chatels and the barrenness of the land by the worms and droughts and also to pay our proportion in sending a messenger to boston to offer and speak to our petition

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

21 It is voted at a Leagal town meeting held in Tisbury this 13th day of March: 1711 that Samuell Merry shall serve in the office of a Constable in this Town for the year Ensuing

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

21. It is voted at a Leagal town meeting held in tisbury this 13th day of March: 1711: that Mr John Eddy shall serve in the of of survair of the highwayes for the Ensuing year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

21. It is voted at a Leagal town meeting held in Tisbury this 13th day of March: 1711 that Robert Cathcart shall serve in the office of Town Clark in this town for the year Ensuing

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

21. It is voted at a Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury this 13th day of march 1711 that Samuall Look Joseph Allen and Robert Cathcart shall serve as selectmen or overseers of the poor in this Town Tisbury for the Ensuing year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

At a propriaters meeting held in Tisbury on ye 16 march $17\frac{10}{11}$ by the propriaters thereof it is voted by the major part then preasent that Jonathan Lumbert shall posess and Inioy a Certain tract of Land lying on the Est Side of the Indian town between sd Indian line and the line of this Town Tisbury northwardly which is the Estward bounds of said tract of land and to run northward to a pond of water Commonly known by the name of onkakemmy pond and to run southwardly to a stak standing on the plain which stak is the southward bounds of the Indian Town to have and to hold possess and Enjoy to him and his heires forever for an Inheritance with all the appurtinances thereunto belonging: provided and it is to be understood that the sd Jonathon Lumbert shall in the space of four years after the Date of these preasent build and inhabit on the sd land and shall not intrude or Enterveer on any land of Robert Luces of former purches so far as it Concerneth them the sd propriaters then present

Entred by me ROBERT CATHCART
Town Clark

It is also voted at this propriaters meting held this 16th day of March: $17\frac{10}{11}$ by the propriaters then assembled that I should Enter the above vote for th above sad Lands to sd Jonathon lumbert as propriaters Clark then Chosen by vote for that perticular

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Voted at a Leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on the 29th May 1711 That the sellectmen of this town shall Joyn with sellectmen of Edgertown and Chilmark to draw a petetion and to Chuse and agree with a messenger to prefer it at the General Court at Boston and that we be our proportion of the Charge there of and to seek for abetment of the tax for the year Ensuing

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Voted this fourteenth day of May 1712 at a leagal town meeting held in Tisbury by the major part of those assembled that this town shall be taxed the sum of four pounds eight shillings to pay Major Skiff for his last years services at the General Court at Boston to represent this town Tisbury

℘r me

ROBART CATHCART *Clark*

it is voted at a leagal town meeting held on ye 4th August 1712 that this town shall be Taxed the sum of twenty pounds for the paying the minister for Preaching in ye year 1711 according to our agreement with him at first 1

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

21. Voted also at a Leagal town meeting held this 18th day of March 1713 that Benjamin Manter shall serve in the office of survayer of the highwayes for the Ensuing year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

21. Voted also that Robert Cathcart shall serve in the office of Town Clark for the following year

21. It is also voted at the above s^{d} Town meeting that Robert Cathcart Joseph Allen & Samuell Look shall serve for Towns men or overseears of the poor for the following year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

21. Voted at a Leagal town meeting held this 18th day of March 1713 that Solomon Athearn shall serve in the office of a Constable for this Town Tisbury for ye Ensuing year.

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

at a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury at the usual place on tuesday ye 29th March 1715 Edward Milton is Chosen Constable for the year Ensueing at the same time it is voted that Robert Cathcart Beniamine Manter and Samuel Merrey is Chosen selct men for the year Ensuing at the same town meeting it is voted that Robert Cathcart shall serve in the office of Town Clerk for the year Ensueing and abner west is also Chosen survayer of the highwayes for the present year

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

voted at a Leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on the 29th March 1715 that there be set up a sufficient pound made and set up in the lane by John Edyes in Tisbury where the pound first in Tisbury: sum time in the month of June next Ensueing and that Joseph Allen of Tisbury is appointed and Impoured to order it done by ordering the Inhabitants of Tisbury and notifie then in their Equal and proper turn to doe the work untill it be fully finished and that John Manter be the pound Keeper

ROBT CATHCART *Clerk*

it is voted at a Leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on the 19th day of April 1715 that this Town and precinct shall be taxed the sum of twenty pounds for paying mr Josiah Torrey his sallerry for his Labour in the work of the ministry for ye year 1714 also it is voted by the Major part of the Inhabitants then preasent at sd meetting that this Town and precinct shall be taxed the sum of twelve pounds for the paying mr Josiah Torrey so much which the Town is fallen behindhand with mr Torrey and the whole sum of thirty two pounds to be made in one Rate Bill and Colected by the Constable

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

April ye 19th 1715.

Then received of Samuel Merry constable of the within mentioned bill in full as my sallery for ye year 1711 ℘r me

JOSIAH TORREY

Voted at a leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on September ye 12th 1715 that Joseph Allen of sd town doth serve in the office of Town Treasurer for saide town for this preasent year

ROBRT CATHCART *Clerk*

At a leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on September ye 12th 1715 we the freeholders and other inhabitants of Tisbury being assembled have granted and voted a tax upon Tisbury and district of four pounds for a town stock for the defraying of town charges and perticularly for incoragment of destroying the crows and blackbirds to be assest and gathered into the town treasurey as the law directs this preasent year

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerke*

whereas all the Common land in this Town on the Est Side of the old mill Brook or River Except a field Commonly Called Josiases field was

Divided into sixteen Lots this Record shoeth that the fourth lot in sd lands in the Draff of the divission fell to Izeral luce and John Tucker & as mr Edward Hammit saith sd John Tucker appointed Joseph Daggit to Divid with him the sd Hamit and the north side of sd fourth lot fell to sd Hammit and the south side fell to John Tucker

Entred this 7th Day of May 1716 pr me

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

Memorandum ss whereas sum Difference hath been about the bounds of a Certain Piece of land partly swamp & partly upland lying in Tisbury on the west side of the old mill Brook: between us Joseph Daggett and Ichabod Allen the subscribers: It is now mutually agreed upon & Consented to by Each of us: Samuel Merry & Ebenezer Rogers being Present that the bounds belonging to Joseph Daggett of sd land shall be as followeth viz:

Notherwardly by the Common Cart Road going to Jabez Athearns till it Comes to a black oak stump on the side of the Hill by sd way westwardly from sd stump on the side of the Hill to Run on a streight line to a white oak tree marked near the bottum of the hill southwardly from the sd white oak tree to run to another white oak forked tree standing near the Brook: and to run from sd tree on the same line till it Comes to the Brook: Estwardly by the sd old mill Brook as the stream runeth now as witness our hands the 27th Day of June annodominy 1716 the mark of s JOSEPH DAGGIT

ICHABOD ALLEN

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

And Jean west wife to the above sd Abner west being admistrator to the Estate of John Cotle late of Chilmark Deseased Doth allow and approve of the above Division of the above sd Eighth lot of land which is part of the saide Estate under her administration this 5th Day of January annoque Domi $\frac{1716}{17}$ the mark of

JEAN O WEST

Entred this 5th Day of January $\frac{1716}{17}$ pr me

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

At a propriators meeting held in Tisbury March ye first $17\frac{16}{17}$

Voted That Mr Torrey & abner West be agents For and in behalf of the proprietors of the Town of Tisbury In an action against you Com-

mencd by Joseph Briggs of Scituate to be Tryd att the Next Inferiour Court to be holden att Edgartown on the 8th Day of March Instant and in their names and Behalf to appear and oppose in all points to make to said writt: without a summons

ROBERT CATHCART *propriators. Clerk*

at a Leagal propriators meeting held in Tisbury in Dukes County by the Prpriators of sd Tisbury on the Eleventh Day of march: $17\frac{16}{17}$ Joseph Allen of sd Tisbury is voted and Chosen by the sd propriators to be their Agent: to answer for and represent them the sd propriators in an action or sute Comminced against the saide propriators by Joseph Briggs of scituate planter: plaintiff and the sd propriators Deffendants which Case was heard and tryed at his Majesties Inferior Court of Common pleas holden at Edgertown on the fifth day of march: $17\frac{16}{17}$ wherein the sd Defendants obtained Judgment with Cost of sute: but the said plaintiff appealed from sd Judgment to his Majesties superior Court of Judicature &c to be holden at plymoth on the last Tuesday of March: Instant; wherefore these are to Certifie whom it may Concern that we the sd propriators do by these presents authorize and Impoure fully and amply to all Intents and purposes our sd agent Joseph Allen to appear in sd Superior Court on our behalf in sd Case or prossess and then and there in sd superiour Court to Implead said plaintiff in sd Case to all Intents and purposes as amply and fully as we ourselves might or ought to do if we ware personally present and to make and Constitute one attorney or attorneyes if need be in sd Case and the Same againe to revoke at pleasure hereby rattifying and Confirming and holding for good what soever our sd agent shall Lawfully do or Cause to be done in and about the primmises

ROBERT CATHCART *proprietors Clerk*

voted by the propriators of Tisbury that the propriator meeting hold on the Eleventh day of March $17\frac{16}{17}$ be adjorned untill fryday the fifteen Day Instant at three of the Clock in the afternoon

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

voted at the same time by the propriators that the sum of ninteen shillings be allowed to mr Josiah Torry and the sum of six shillings be allowed to abner west for their Expences as agents at the Inferiour Court

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

March y^e 15th 17$\frac{16}{17}$ this is the accompt of the names of severall who laide Down money to Defrey the above chosen agents nessary Charge in and about the above primisses which I have Delivered to him

Benjamin manter	06 — 0 — 0	
John Manter	01 — 0 — 0	
Samuel Athearn	01 — 0 — 0	
Robert Cathcart	01 — 06 — 0	
Samuel Look	00 — 10 — 0	
Samuel Cob	00 — 03 — 0	
Isaac Robinson	00 — 03 — 6	
Abner West	00 — 04 — 0	
	10 — 06 — 06	10 — 6 — 6
Joseph allen has paide out		5 — 14 — 00
Recivd of Thomas Look		00 — 09 — 07

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

at a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on ye 26th of march 1717 David Luce was Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year. and Robert Cathcart is Chose in the office of Town Clerk also Benjamin Manter Jabez Athearn and Joseph Allen was Chosen select men for the Ensuing year also John Manter was Chosen survayer of the highwayes for the year Ensueing

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

Voted at a legal town meeting held in Tisbury on the seventh day of May 1717 that this town do send a petition to the General Court for their assistance in allowing them sum relieff in helping them to maintain their minister out of the publique treasury

ROBERT CATHCART, *Town Clerk*

At a Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the Seventh Day of May: 1717 voted by the major part of the Inhabitants then Present that this Town Tisbury Joyn with the neighbouring town or town to wit Edgertown and Chilmark in sending a representative to sit in the General Court at Boston the next siting to represent them and to bare their proportion of the Charge of so sending as they do agree

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

Voted on the seventh Day of May 1717 Voted that Mr Samuel Athearn be an Agent for this Town to Consult and agree with the neighbouring town or Towns or their agents in sending a representative to Boston the next General Court and to be Content with what their sd agent shall demand about that affaire

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

Voted at a propriators meeting Leagally warned and held in Tisbury on the seventh Day of May: 1717 that the propriators of this Township Do send a pitetion to th General Court at Boston the next siting for the forbarence of an Execution which is like to Come upon them the sd propriators by Joseph Briggs of Scituate untill the next superiour Court at plymoth

ROBERT CATHCART *propriators Clerk*

voted at a propriator meetting Leagally warnd and held in Tisbury on the tenth Day of June: 1717 that Joseph allen Samuel merry and Robert Cathcart shall be a Committee to Examin and find out all the Common lands lying within the limmits of this Town bounds being already purchesed and undivided and make returns of theire doings to the sd propriators as soon as may be with Conveniency

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

voted by the propriators that the meeting held on the tenth of June 1717 be adjourned untill the first Tuesday in July next at two of the Clock in the afternoon on sd day

ROBERT CATHCART *propriators Clerk*

voted at a propriators meeting held in Tisbury on the fourth Day of July 1717 that Benjamin manter & Joseph allen shall be agents for the sd propriators to represent them in a matter which Concerns them the saide propriators and samuel athearn of Tisbury: to witt the Saide athearn is to give bond Endemnifie the sd propriators from any molistation by any person or persons whatsoever that Shall molest them about a Share of Land: or Sixteenth part of the Township of Tisbury which Did formerly belong to william Pabody: if the saide propriators will or do

pay the Cost of sute or Judgment of Court from plymouth Last march: with theire own nessesary Charges in and about the Same: Excepting the hundred pounds: and they are also to Divide to him sd athearn two shares in a pice of Common Land which they the sd athearns Claim wherefore be it Known that we the Said propriators do allow and stand by all whatsoever our sd agents shall Lawfully do or Cause to be done in and about the primmises Either in taking or Giving Bonds as amply and fully as if we the saide propriators Could do if we our selves were personally present

ROBERT CATHCART *propriators Clerk*

Experience Luce upon a further Consideration to Joyne and ggree withe the rest of the propriators in all the articuls above written

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk*

voted at a Legal propriators meeting on adjornment held the second day of July 1717 that when the common land is Divided on the south side of the mill path that Samuel Athearn shall have divided to him two shares of it that is the land as far East as the Est side of the woody valley in quantity and quallity as it was when it was purchased of the sachim being part of his fathers estate next northerdly adjoyning to the bounds of the great neck if he sd athearn have a good right thereunto: upon Condition that he doth become bound to Endemnifie the propriators of of Tisbury of any Damage or loss whatsoever which may or shall be brought against them by any person or persons whatsoever Leagally Concerning the the shares of land which formerly belonged to william Pebody in tisbury: afforsaide: only they the saide propriators is to pay all the charge of sute past against them: last Inferiour Court at plymouth that is to answer the Bill of cost and their nessasery Charge setting the athearns free: in sd Charge: and all other Charge about the same: the hundred pounds given by Judgment only excepted

ROBERT CATHCART *propriattors clerk.*

At a leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on July ye 22^{d} it was voted that 24 pounds be raised by way of rate on the poles and estats of Tisbury & district to gratifie and reward the Reverd mr Josiah Torry for his labour in ministrye for ye year 1716.

ROBERT CATHCART.

It is voted at a Leagal town meeting held in Tisbury on the 11th: august 1717 that mr Torreyes sallary be raised to thirty pounds pr annum provided that he the sd mr Josiah Torrey do accept of th sam and will be obliedged to tarry with them and preach for Ever in the work of the ministrie in Tisbury

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

Voted at a leagal propriators meeting held in Tisbury August ye 11th 1717 that Esqr Pain Mayhew & Esqr Zacheus Mayhew do lay out unto Samuel Athearn the eight part of a tract of common land lying on the south side of the road way going to the old town and between the e'st side of the woody valley and the great neck in quality & quantity as purchased according to agreement made between the propriators of Tisbury and sd Athearn; also it is voted that Robert Cathcart and Joseph Allen shall assist in laying out the above s'd land.

ROBERT CATHCART *Clerk of the Propriators*

Voted at a propriators meeting held in Tisbury on the 11th day of August 1717 that Experience Luce Joseph Allen and Samuel Athearn do divide the remaining part of the above mentioned tract of common land, into fourteen allotments in quantity and quallity

ROBERT CATHCART *Propriators Clerk*

It is voted at a Leagall town meeting held in Tisbury on the 14th August that this Town shall be taxed the Sum of 28s to be Raised on all Rateable poles and Estates to pay Major Skiff for Goeing a messenger to Boston to the Generall Court to pepetion an abatment in our tax which accordingly he performed to the one halfe

ROBERT CATHCART *Clark*

Whereas we ye subscribers hereof were Chosen & appointed by the propriators of Tisbury to Lay out unto Samll Athearn of saide Tisbury one Eighth part of a sertain tract or parcel of the undivided land in the sd Town being bounded on the north by ye mill path on the East by the Estermost side of the woodey bottum & southardly & westerly by perticular mens propriatier and we haveing veived and Considered the same having respect both to the Quantity & Quallity thereof have laid out unto him ye sd Samll Athearn as belonging unto the Estate of Simon Athearn Late of Tisbury Desesed a sertain part of the abovesaide land being by our Estimation the Eighth part thereof adjoyning unto the great

neck and bounded as followeth viz: on the south by the affore sd Great neck & Easterly partly by lands formerly sould by Isaac Robinson unto the above sd Simon Athearn Disessed & partly by the land of Solomon athearn and to Extend northerly about seventy five Rods from the great neck affore sd unto a Cart way which leads across ye sd Land of Solomon athearn and bounded northerly by a streight line Drawn Directly from the place where the afor sd path or Cartway meets with ye saide Solomon athearns land afore sd unto a white oak bush marked standing in the Great neck valley at about Eighty and five rods distance from the northwest Corner of the sd Great neck and westwardly partly by athearns fence and partly the fence of John manter untill it Comes unto the Corner of sd manters fence and from thence by a straight line Drawn from sd Corner of manters fence unto the above sd marked bush september ye tenth & in the fourth year of his majesties Reigne anno Domi: 1717

PAIN MAYHEW
ZACHEUS MAYHEW

Entred this tenth Day of september: 1717

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

it is voted at a propriotors meeting Leagally warnd and held in Tisbury ye 19th: September 1717 that Samuel athearn Experience Luce and Joseph Allen shall Divide all the Common land on the south side of the rhod way going to the old town as far as the East side of wooddy valley into fourteen allotments as soon as they Can with Conveniency

ROBERT CATHCART *propriators Clerk*

It is voted at a propriaters meeting Leagally warnd and held in Tisbury on the 19th Day of september: 1717 that Robert Cathcart shall be an agent for sd prt sd Propriators to Receive of the sd propriaters and to ask and Demand of them the above sd sum of 27 – 09 – 00 Each person theire Due proportion as amply and fully as they themselves might or Could Do themselves and to give aquitances for the same

ROBERT CATHCART *Propriators Clerk*

At a Leagal propriotors meeting held in Tisbury in Dukes County by the propriotors of Tisbury on the ninteenth Day of september 1717 Samuel Athearn of sd Tisbury is voted and Chosen by the saide propriotors to be their Agent: for them and in their name and behhalfe to make plea too and Implead any action prossess or sute whatsoever which hath

been within a year last past or hereafter shall be brought Against the sd propriotors by Joseph Briggs of scituate in New england planter; or by any other other person or persons whatsoever and more perticularly to prosecute and bring forward a writt of Revew on our behalf on the sd Joseph Briggs on sd propriotors behalf at the next superiour Court of Judicature to be holden at Plymouth in an action which the sd briggs recovered against us the sd propriotors on the last Superiour Court at Plymouth touching lands and the same to plead to too Effect: to all Intents and purposes as if we the sd propriators were personally present and to make & Constitute one Attorney or more if need be in sd Case and the same againe to Revoke at pleasure & that our sd Agent may agree with the sd Briggs in sd Case if he think fitt on as Easie terms as he shall think fitt and hereby wee the sd propriotors doe rattifie allow and Confirm holding good whatsoever our sd Agent shall Lawfully do or Cause to be done in & about the primises by vertue of these presents

ROBERT CATHCART *propriotors Clerk*

Whereas all the Common land on the est side of the old mill river in Tisbury was divided into sixteen lots by men appointed as appears on record bearing date March: ye 15th 1717 Wherefore be it known unto all men by these presents that the fourteenth lot in th draft of sd division fell to John Manter jenier: and is bounded as followeth viz — on th the west by the cartway that leads to Robert Luces: on the east by the path that leads to holmses hole: and on the north by the line in the first purchase

Entered this 26th day of September: 1717

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk:*

Whereas all the common land on the est side of the old mill river namely the land between the land of zachary Hossue and the norther most part of william Pabodies purchase and so eastward to the ragged plaine was devided into sixteen lots: by men appointed by the free holder of Tisbury as doth appear by record baraing date March ye 15th 1700 — Be it known unto all men by these presents that the thirteenth lot in sd divission fell by draft to Jeremiah whitney and is bounded as followeth viz: bounded one the west by a cartway and the heads of the lots: at the pine hill: and on the east by the cartway that goeth up the bottum to Robert Luces house where he now dwells and on the north by william Pabodies purchase entered this 26th September 1717

ROBERT CATHCART *Town Clerk*

The accompt of Joseph Allens Charge as agent for the Propriators of Tisbury his Journey to Barnstable Comes to		04 — 05 — 00
His Journey to Plymoth Comes to		09 — 10 — 00
The Bill of Cost at Plymoth is		11 — 03 — 00
his wages travelling Comes to		01 — 18 — 00
To mr Torrey and abner west at the inferior Cort agents		01 — 05 — 00
To Eight shillings more Deviding athearns land		00 — 08 — 00
		28 = 09 = 00
twenty shillings Samuel athearn gave to sd propriators to be substracted out		01 — 00 — 00
the whole Charge is		27 = 09 = 00
the 14th part of 27lb — 9s is	01 — 19 — 02	
and the half of that is	00 — 19 — 07	

it is voted at a Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 16th Day of January $17\frac{17}{18}$ and leagally warnd that this Town Tisbury & districts be taxed the sum of three pounds four shilling and seven pencs for to pay major skiff: for going to Boston the last sessions a Representative for the Island which is Tisburys proportion and . . . the sum of Eleven shillings more to be paide to the assessors which they have Imburst for this Town

Robert Cathcart *Town Clark*

Att A Leagel Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 24th day of march 1718 it is voted that mr Josiah Torry pastor of the Church of Christ in Tisbury shall have thirty pounds a year. of Tisbury for his sallery in the work of the ministrie

Joseph Allen *Clark*

Att A Legal Town meeting held in tisbury on march the 24th day 1718 for the Choice of Town officers Benjamin manter Samuell Look and Joseph Allen are Chosen select men for Tisbur for this present year and John manter is Chosen survaier for Tisbury for this present year: and Jabez atthearn is Chosen Constable for tisbury this present year Ensn John manter is Chosen pound keeper in Tisbury

Joseph Allen *Clark*

Att A Legal: propriators meeting held in Tisbury on Aprel the 16 day 1718 voted by the maiger part of the propriators then present that Josep Allen should sarve in the offis of A propriators Clark for the Insuing year

Joseph Allen *Clarke*

Att A Legal Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Aprel the: 16 1718 Voted by the maiger part of the voters then present that Joseph Allen should sarve in the offis of A Tow Clark for the Insuing year

JOSEPH: ALLEN *Clark*

Know all Men by these ℘sents, that Whereas Wee ye Subscribers hereunto (viz) Samuel Cobb & John Manter both of Tisbury in Dukes County yeoman; Haveing a Lott of Land in Equal halves betwixt them and undivided; The sd Lott lying & being in Tisbury aforsd at a place Commonly Called ye hill Lotts on ye West side of ye old Mill River, & being ye fourth Lott in sd Division and was origanally Drawn by Israel Luce & John Tucker: Now therefore for a Peacable & Quiett Settlement and Division of s^d^ Lott, We have Jointly & Mutually agreed for our selves our heris & assignes for ever, That the Dividing bounds of sd Lott shall be & begin on ye south side thereof by the path or usual way that runs up to the old clay pits & so upon a Streight line Drawn upon a Square across across ye sd Lott to the west side thereof And the aforsd Samuel Cobb his heirs & Assignes to Enjoy ye west End thereof; And ye sd John Manter his heirs and Assignes to Enjoy the East End thereof And in Wittness & Confirmation that this is our Mutuall settlement & Division as afors^d^ We have hereunto Sett our hands & ordered that the same be Recorded in ye Town Book of Records for Tisbury This first Day of May in ye year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred & Eighteen

SAM:^LL^ COBB
JOHN MANTER
Recorded ℘^r^ me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Att A Legal Town meetin held in tisbury on the sixth day of may 1718 Instant for the Choice of an Assembly man it is voted by the maior part of the voters then present that the town of tisbury do Joyn with Edgartown and Chillmark in their Choise of Representative and do desier that m^r^ pain Mayhew be the Representive

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Leagal Town meeting held in tisbur on the sixth day of may 1718 for the Choise of an assembly man: it is voted that Ens^n^ Benjamin manter be agent for Tisbury to act and Agree with the neboring tow^'ns^

viz Edgartown and Chillmark in Chusing of and agreeing with an asembly man to represent the afore said three towns at a great and general Court to be holden on wensday the 28 Instant att boston and so die in diem: dureing sd session: and tis thought Expedient that pain mayhew Esqr be the person Impoured if he pleas to Accept

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Legal Town Meetting held in Tibury on the thirtenth day of may 1718 for the Chusing: of A Representative It is voted that En^{sn} Benjamin manter be agent for tisbury to act and Agre with Chillmark in their Choice of A Representative to witt Pain: mayhew Esqr to serve for and Represent Tibury as well as Chillmark Att the great and generall cort to be holden in boston on the Last wensday of may Instant and so during sd session if he pleas to Except and to Agree Touching his wages As allso to give such In struchtions as may be thought nedfull

JOSEPH ALLEN. *Clarke*

Att A Legal town Meetin held in tisbury on the thirtenth day of may: 1718 for the Choyse of an Assembly man it is voted that tisbury do joyn with Chillmark in theire Choyse of a Representative to wit pain mayhew Esqir. to serve for and represent tisbury as well as Chillmark att the great and genarl Court to be holden at the town house in boston on the twenty Eighth: day of may Instant and so during sd session

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clarke*

May the 30th 1718

Be it known unto all men by this Record that theire is A sartain tract of Land lying on the west side of the old mill broock commonly known by the hil Lots the fourth and fifth Lots in Sd devison now belonging unto John: manter and Benjamin manter of Tisbury now undevided now we the sd John manter and Benjamin manter dow covenant and Agree to devide sd Lots of Land across sd Lots for A perpetual devision John manter hath the Estron Eand of Sd Land Extending westerly to A black oake tree marked Standing on the north side of Sd tract of Land and from sd tree to run A p parrallel Line strate A cross sd Lots and Benjamin manter hath the western Eand of Sd Land bounded Esterly by the above sd black oack tree Extending westerly till it doth meet with the deviding Line between Tisbury and Chillmark in Conformation

hear of we the Above sd John manter and Benjamin manter have put too our hands the day and year Above sd

JOHN MANTER
BENJAMIN MANTER

Entred ꝑ^r me
may^th 30 1718
JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

Att A Legal town meeting held in Tisbury on the fifeteenth day of August: 1718 theire is then voted and granted a tax on the Inhabitance of tisbury Amounting to the sum of six pounds Eighteen shillings and a peney to be Levid on pols and estates as the Law in such Case doth provide which tax is granted for the defraing of town Charge and the mantainace of an Asembly att Court Entred: upon the Record the 18 of August 1718: JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Leagal town: meeting held in tisbury on the 16 of september 1718 it twas voted by the miger part of the voters then present that Abner west shall sarve the Town in the offis of A Town Treshuer for the insuing year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Legal Town meting held in Tisbury on march the 19 day $17\frac{18}{19}$ for the Choice of town officers it was voted then by the mager part of y^e voters then present that sam^ll Cob should sarve this town in y^e office of a constable for the insuing year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

voted at the A bovesaid town meting y^t sam^ll Atharn and sam^ll Look and Abner west should sarve this town in the office of select men for the insuing year and it was voted at the same time by the mager part of the Voters then present that Ebenezer Rogers and Isaac Robonson should sarve this town tisbury in the office of survaiers for the insuing year & it was Voted at the abovesaid town meting that Joseph Allen should sarve this town tisbury in the office of a town Clark for this present year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A legall Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 19 day of may 1719 for the Choice of an assembly man: it is Lawfully voted that Tisbury doth joyne with Chillmarke in their Choyce of an Assembly man for this present yeare who is desiered to sarve Tisbury as well as Chill mark att the great and general Cort to be held at boston on wensday the 27th day of may instant and so during sd sesions

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clarke*

Att A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 19 day of may 1719 it was Voted by the magor part of the voters then present that Sam^{ll} Atharn and Joseph Allen be Agents for Tisbury to treat and Agree with the Agents of Chillmark in Choice of an Assemble man and allso to Agree with the parsen Chosen for his wages as allso to give such directions as are most nessary dated may ye 19 1719

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clarke*

Whe whose names are under written being chosen & appointed by ye major Part of ye proprietors of ye Township of Tisbury In Dukes County; to divide & lay out a certain tract or parcell of land on ye South Side of ye Mill path In Tisbury: Into fourteen Shears or lotts: Viz all ye Common or Undivided land not yet laid out; from ye Eastermost side of ye wooddy Valley Southerly westerly & Notherly by sd Mill path; with Conveniency of way to Each mans land; which Accordingly we have done to Effect; as followeth; the first Lott Is at ye wooddy Valley on ye north East corner of Sd land; bounded Easterly by a bush marked; on ye Eastermost brow of Sd Valley; Notherly by the mill path y^{t} crosseth ye Valley a little above ye Cart way; & so Runs Westerly by ye path forty Six Rods to three Stakes In Range South & by East by ye Compass & So to Run that Range till It comes up to ye Eastermost Side of Sd Valley; & So to run on ye brow of ye hill till It comes to ye aforsaid bush Marked; The Second lott Is about twenty Rods In breadth; bounded Easterly by ye first lott; Notherly by ye Mill path westerly by a stake: & So to run Southerly In a parrallall line with ye first Lott till It comes up to ye Eastermost brow of sd valley; the third lott Is about Sixteen Rods In breath; bounded Easterly by ye Second lott; Notherly by ye Mill path; westerly by a Stake; & to run South & by East parrallel with ye Second lott to ye Eastermost brow of sd valley; the fourth lott Is aboutt Sixteen Rods In breadth; bounded Easterly by ye third lott; Notherly by ye Mill path; westerly by a Stake & to Run upon a South & by East line parrellel with ye third lott till It comes to ye Eastermost brow of Sd valley; the fifth lott Is about twenty four Rods, In breadth; bounded Easterly by ye fourth lott; Notherly by ye Mill path; Westerly by a Stake and So run on a South & by East line parrellel to ye fourth lott till It comes to ye Eastermost brow of Said Valley; the Sixth lott Is about twenty four Rods In breadth; bounded on ye Easterly Side by ye fifth lott Notherly by ye Mill path westerly by a Stake & So to

Run on a South & by East line parrallel with ye fifth lott, till It comes up to ye brow of ye aforesaid wooddey Valley; the seventh lott Is about sixteen Roads In breadth bounded Easterly by ye Sixth lott Notherly by ye Mill path; westerly by a stake & so It runs on a South & by East line parrellel to ye Sixth lott till It comes up to ye Eastermost brow of sd wooddey valley: the Eighth lott Is about Sixteen Rods In breadth; bounded; Easterly by ye Seventh lott Notherly by ye Mill path Westerly by a Stake & So Runs on a South & by East line parrallel to ye Seventh lott till Itt comes up to ye Eastermost brow of Sd wooddey Valley; the Ninth lott Is about Sixteen Rods In breadth bounded Easterly by ye Eighth lott Notherly by ye Mill path; westerly by a Stake & So It runs on a South & by East line to ye way to tisisia;

The tenth lott Is about twenty Eight Rods in breadth; bound'd Easterly by ye Ninth lott, Notherly by ye Mill path & So to run On a South & by East line parrellel to ye ninth lott Till It comes to Tisissa path; The Eleventh lott Is about twenty four Rods In breadth bounded Easterly by ye tenth lott, Notherly by ye Mill path; Westerly by a Stake from thence It runs on a South & by East line parrellel to ye tenth lott till It comes to Tisisia way The Twelvth lott Is bounded Easterly by a way laid out till It comes to Tisisia way; & from thence on a Straight line Westerly till It comes to a Small tree marked by John Manters fence westerly by John Manters fence & ye bounds of ye little neck Northerly by ye land of John Manter & ye mill path; the thirteenth lot Is bounded Notherly by Tisissa path Easterly & Southerly by ye land of Jethro Athearn & fence of John Manter westerly by ye twelvth lott The fourteenth lott Is within Joh Manters fence where his old house Is; bounded on ye East by Jethro Athearns land; on ye South by ye land laid out formerly to John Eddy; westerly by ye bounds of ye little Neck; & Notherly by Sd Manters fence; the fiveteenth lott & Sixteenth lott In Sd land Is laid out to Simon Athearns Estate by agreement of all ye Proprietors; bounded by ye Great neck & ye thirteenth lott; Memorandum we first laid out a way two Rods In breadth from ye Mill path between ye Eleventh & twelvth lotts which runs on a South & by East Range till It comes to ye Old Indian path to Tisissa; & then runs In that way the Same breadth to ye wooddy Valley;

finished this 14th; day of August 1719;

Samuel Athearn
Experience Luce
Joseph Allen

Entred by me Joseph Allen *proprietors Clerk*

Each propietors Lott as he drawed in ye land to ye westward ye wooddy Valley

first; Lott to Joseph Allen Jacob Robinson & Isaac Robinson

Second Lott; To Joseph Daggetts estate deceased

Third lott; to Experience Luce fourth lott; to ye Estate of John Eddy deceased

fifth lott, To Joseph Allen Sixth lott; To Sam: Cob: & Henry luce Juner Seventh lott To Benjamin Manter Eighth lott: To ye Estate of John Cottle deceased; & Joseph Norton Esqr

Ninth Lott; to Josiah Torrey

Tenth Lott; to Benjamin Manter & John Allen

Eleventh Lott; To ye Estate of Robart Cathcart; deces: & Thos: Coleman

Twelvth Lott; to Joseph Allen

Thirteenth Lott: to Sam, Merry & Samuel Look

fourteenth Lott; To Ensign John Manter,

August 22th 1719: Entred by me

JOSEPH ALLEN *proprietors Clark*

Att A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 26 day of october 1719 it is voted that m^{r} Josiah Torry Pastor of the Church of Christ in Tisbury shall have thirty pounds for his sallery of the inhabtants of Tisbury for the year 1718

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Legl Town meeting held in Tisbury on march the 23^{d} 1719^{20} for the choice of Town officers it was voted then by the majer part of the voter then present That samuell Look and Jabez Atharn and Joseph Allen should sarve this town in the officers of select men for the insuing year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Voted att the above sd meeting that William Case should sarve in the office of a Constible for the insuing year and Benjamin manter and sam^{ll} atharn should sarve in the office of surveyars for the insuing year and Joseph Allen was Chosen Town Clark for the insuing year and Joh^{n} manter was Chosen fence vewer for the insuing year Enterd by me this 23^{d} of march 17$\frac{19}{20}$

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury may the 11 : 1720 for the Electing a Representive it was voted by y^{e} Maj^{r} part of the voters then present to Joyne with Chillmark in their Choise and Benjamin manter and Jabez atharne ware Chosen agents for y^{e} Town of tisbury to act and agre with the agents of Chillmark

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury for the Choyse of a Representive it was voted that tisbury do Joyn with Chillmark in their Choyse of a Representive to serve both sd Towns att the generall court to be held att Boston on the 13 day of July next to this date and so duering sd session or sessions

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

dated June ye 15 1720

Itt was voted at ye above sd meetting that Jabez Athearn be agent for Tisbury to advise with the agent of Chillmark to agree with the parson chosen Representative for his wages and all so to give him such instructions as he shall think needfull

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Legal Town meting held in Tisbury on the 20 day of september 1720 it was voted by the mai^{r} part of the voters then present that their should be A tax Raised upon this Town of Tisbury of six pounds for to pay our Representive for his servis this year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At a Legal Town meting held in Tisbury on the 20th of september annoq Dom 1720 It was voted by the majr part of the voters then present that Jabez Athearn should represent this Town Tisbury as agents to treat with the agent of Edgerttown touching the Rateable personall estats appertaning to a neck of Land called watsha and it is hereby committed to him to settle that matter for the term of three or four years next ensueing the Date here of as he shall think fitt

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Leagel.Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 20 day of september 1720 it is voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that m^{r} Josiah Torry Pastor of the Church of Christ in Tisbury shall have thirty pounds for his sallery of the inhabtants of Tisbury for the year 1719

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on march the 14 $17\frac{20}{21}$ for the Chois of Town ofsiers it was votoed by the majr part of the voters then present that sam^{ll} merrey and sam^{ll} manter and edward hammet should sarve petit Jurors and sam^{ll} Look and Edward milton and Isaac Robinson ware chosen Grand Jurors and at the same meeting Jethro Athearn was Chosen Constible and sam^{ll} Look and Jabez Athearn and Joseph Allen select men for the insuing year at ye above sd meeting solomon Athearn and Ebenezer Rogers ware chosen hog Reeves for the insuing year and Beniamin manter and sam^{ll} Athearn ware Chosen suravers of the high wayes for the insuing year and Joseph Allen Town Clark for ye insuing year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

It is voted At a Leagal Town neeting held in Tisbury on the 6 day of September. 1721 that their should be A tax Raised upon the Town of Tisbury of four pounds Eight shilings and a penny for to pay for mending the glass of the meeting hous and to pay for the stocks and and to Repair the seats of the meeting house

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 6 day of september 1721 it is voted that Mr Josiah Torry Pastor of the Church of Christ in Tisbury shall have thurty pounds of the inhabtants of Tisbury sallery for the year 1720

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At a Legal Town meeting Held in Tisbury on ye Twenty fifth Day of october: 1721 then & their Jabez Athearn Joseph Allen & samuel Look was Chosen Trustees to receive ye sd Towns proportion of bills of Credit: Lodg^{d} in ye provinces Treasury fro them

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the first day of desember 1721. it was voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that Jabez Athearn should have the improvement of the ninte nine pound ten shilings which the Trustes of Tisbury have Reseved of the provence Trushure

voted at the above sd meeting that samuel Look and Joseph should take bonds for the above sd Ninte nine Pounds. ten shilings of Jabez Athearn

At A Legal Proprietors meeting held in tisbury on the 13 day of desember 1721 it was voted by the Maj^{r} part of the voters then present that Sam^{ll} merrey and sam^{ll} Atharn and Experence Luce should see what undevided Land their is lying near the dweling house of Thomas Look and do make devishon and set up bounds betwixt sd Looks Land and the undevided Land

JOSEPH ALLEN *proprietors Clark*

Att a Legall Town Meeting held In Tisbury on ye twentieth day of december anno domini 1721; Voted by ye Major part of y^{e} Voters then present; that ye Money; viz: $\overset{L}{99} - \overset{s}{10} - \overset{d}{00}$ which being Tisbury^{s} part or proportion of ye 50000 pound^{s} granted by ye Generall Assembly at Boston; In ye year 1720

Should be lett out at Interest at five pounds per Cent per Annum Voted at ye above said Meeting y^{t} ye money Should be lett Out at Interest In Ten pound parcells

Entered by me JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 26 day of march 1722 for the Choice of Town ofesiers it was voted by the mai^{r} parte of the voters then present that Jonathan Lumbert Juner should sarve Constable for the Insuing year and at the above sd meeting Jabez Athearn Joseph Allen and Experence Luce are Chosen select men for the Insuing year and at the same meeting Joseph Allen was Chosen Town Clark for the Insuing year and at the above sd meeting Jonathan Lumbert soloman Athearn and Willam Case ware Chosen gran Jere men for the Insuing year Thomas Cathcart Gersham Cathcart and sam^{ll} manter pette Juremen for ye Nex Cort Beniamin manter and sam^{ll} Athearn ware Chosen survaiers of hiwaes for the Insuing year and at the same meeting willam Luce & James hatch are Chosen hog Reeves for the Insuing year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 23 day of August 1722 it was voted that Mr Josias Torrey Pastor of the Church of Crist in Tisbury shall have thurty pounds of the inhabitants of Tisbury for his sallery for the year 1721

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att a Legal Town held in Tisbury on the 23 day of August 1722 it was voted that the Intrest of the Lone money that is now dwo should goo to Repare the meeting house in Tisbury

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 19 day of march $17^{22}/_{23}$ for the Choise of Town ofessers it was voted by the majer parte of the voters then present that Edward Hamet should sarve this Town in the offis of A Constable for this year voted at the Above sd meeting that Thomas woldron and Jonathan Luce and Zephiniah Luce shold sarv this Town in the offises of gran Jurey men for this insuing year voted at the Above sd meeting that Experence Luce and samuel merrey and samuel Cob should sarve pettey Jurey men for the next sessions at Edgert Town voted at the Above sd meeting that Jabez Atharn and Joseph Allen and Experence Luce should sarve this Town in the offes of select men for this insuing year voted at the above sd meeting that Jabez Atharn should sarve this Town in the offis of Town Tresuer for this Insuing year voted at the above sd meeting that Garsham Cithcart should sarve this Town in the offises of a sealler for wats and messuers for the present year voted at the above sd meeting that benjamin manter and Jethro Atharn should sarve this Town in the offis of fens viewers for this insuing year. Voted at the above sd meeting that samuel manter should sarve this Town in ye offes of A survaier of high ways for this insuing year Voted at ye above sd meeting that Isaac Robonson should sarve in the offes of a tything man for this year voted at ye above sd meeting that Joseph Allen should sarve this Town in ye offes of a town Clark for this present year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

Att A Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 13 day of January 1723^{4} for to Consider upon sum way to supply the Town with A minister again and likwise to see what salery we Could Raise for to support a minister it is voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that the sd meeting was adjorn'd unto the first tusday of march $172^{3}/_{4}$ and then met and then made Chois of Jonathan Lumbert modrater for sd meeting and then put it to vote whether sd Town and districts should be Taxt fifty pounds for to support A minister one year and the vote paste in the Afirmitive: Voted at the above sd meeting that Jonathan

Lumbert and Edward milton ware Chosen Agents for sd Town to take all propper means to supply the Town with A with A sutable minister to preach to sd Town

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

At A Leagal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 18 daye of march 1723^{4} for the Chois of Town ofesers it was voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that Joseph Allen should sarve in the offis of Town Clark for for the insuing year and Isaac Robonson should sarve in the offis of a constable for the insuing year and Jabez Atharn and Joseph Allen and Experence Luce shold sarve select men for the in suing year and sam^{ll} Cob should sarve the town in the offis of a survaier for the Insuing year and Beniamin manter and Jethro Atharn should sarve this Town in the offis of fence vewers for the Insuing year and Edward milton should sarve in the offis of atithing men for the in suing year and Jabez Atharn Town tresuer for this present year and willam Luce hogrif for this present year and sam^{ll} Look and and Ebenezer Rogers and Thomas Luce gran Jurer for this present year and sam^{ll} Athearn sam^{ll} manter and daved luce pette Jurers for the next Cort

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

Att A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on ye 20 day of may 1724 to Consider Determin Transact or consult any way or means that may be thought proper and adviseable to be Done in further prosecution to suplye the Town wit a minister It was voted by the maj^{r} part of the Voters then present that Experence Luce should be Agent for this town to goo of to the main and to use all proper means to supply the town with a minister that the publick worship of god may be upheld with us

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

It is voted at A Legal Town meeting held in Tisbur on the 10 : day of August 1724 that this Town and disstricts shall be Taxt the sum of fifteen pound sixteen shilings and three pence for to Clear our Rears that was dwo to the Rev^{d} m^{r} Josas Torry now desesed for his Labour in the ministry

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in tisbury on the 10 day of agust 1724 for the setling of the Rev^{d} m^{r} Beniamin Ruggels in the work of the ministry in sd Tisbury it was voted by the majer parts of the free hold-

ers and other inhabitants the^{n} assembled being Quallified to vote at sd meeting that whearas the Revd Mr Beniamin Ruggels the present Teacher in sd Town having proposed his willing ness to abide and Take office in the ministry in sd Town in case he may be encurraged with a present settlement of two hundred pounds and seventy pounds pr annum sallery for sum time and then eighty pounds pr annum for the futer Dureing his Continueing in the ministry the aforsd Inhabitants Do theirfore engage and vote that they will Give and performe the payment of the sum of two hundred pounds settlement to be pade accomplished and performed at two payments. viz: one hundred pounds at or before the expiration of one year next after sd m^{r} Ruggels takes office in Tisbury and one hundred at or before the Expiration of one year next after the Expiration of the second year next after the sd taking office viz: and fifty pounds pr annum yearly and Every year as A sallary During his Continueing his ability and life in the ministry in sd Town provided the sd Mr Ruggels Doth meet with Such other Encourragement as he shall account Reasonable and shall so be Received and accounted of by the sd Inhabitants of sd Town of Tisbury

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

voted att the Above sd meeting that Jabez Athearn and Experence Luce be messengers for sd Town to treat with the Revd Mr Beniamin Ruggels whare he will Except of the above sd proposels or not, and Like wise send apetition to the general Cort at boston for to see to get sum help in settling sd minister and Likewise to petition to the Corpration at boston for sum assistance for sd Mr Ruggels yearly

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att a Legal Town Meeting held In Tisbury on the 23 day of November 1724 for the Inviteing of some sutable person to preach the gospell in sd Town and in order to settle in the ministry there . . . . . It was voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that in case a sutable person may be obtained he shall have fifty pounds pr annum Raised for him in sd Town and districts there of Dureing his continueing in the ministry he sd minister taking office and where as on the present Endevoring to settel a minister in sd Town It is further voted to make an Equielent Requitall to such aperson that shall com upon tryal for such time as he shall Expend In Case there shall not be an agreement

made Voted at the abovesd meeting that Jabez Atharn be a messenger for sd Town to goe over to the main to invite sum sutable minister to preach to sd Town in order to settel with them

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

voted at ye above sd meeting that sd messengers charge should be pade to him by ye sd Town

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Legal proprietors, meting, held in Tisbury on the 23 day of november 1724 to Consider and determin upon som proper methord of deviding aparsel of Common Land Lying on the west Side of the old mill Rever where the old meeting house formerly stood or the Setling of the above sd Land for the use of the proprietors in any other methord as Shall be then agread upon It was voted that the above sd meeting be ajorned till the second tusday of desember 1724 and then met and made Chois of Sam^{ll} merry and Sam^{ll} Atharn and Experence Luce to be the proprietors agents to goo and see what common Land their is at the above Sd place and to set up bounds betwixt ye common Land & ye devided Lands

JOSEPH ALLEN
proprietors Clark

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 22 day of december 1724 It was voted by the Maj^{r} part of the voters then present that this Town and disstrcts should be Taxt the sum of Eleven pound theerten shilings and seven pence to defray the Charg that sd Town has bin at in seking out for a minister and for to pay mr Rugels for his Labour in the ministery the time he preacht with us

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att A Leagel Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 15 day of march 172$^{4}/_{5}$ for the Chois of Town ofesers it was voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that Solomon Athearn and whiten manter & Edward Hamett should sarve y^{e} Town in y^{e} ofes of gran Jurers for y^{e} insuing year voted at y^{e} above sd meeting that samuel Look & Daved Luce & Gersham Citcart should sarve in ye ofes of pete Jurers for ye next Cort voted at ye above sd meeting that Thomas woldren should sarve this Town in ye office of a Constable for ye Insuing year voted at ye above sd

meeting that Jabez Athearn should sarve in ye office of a Town Tresuer for ye Insuing year at ye above sd meeting Joseph Allen was Chosen Town Clark for ye insuing year: at ye above sd meeting Jabez Athearn & Joseph Allen & Samuel Look was Chosen select men for ye insuing year at ye above sd meeting Benjamin manter & sam^{ll} Cobb was Chosen survaiers of hiwayes for ye insuing year: at ye above sd meeting John manter and Jethro Athearn was chosen fence vewers for ye Insuing year at ye above sd meeting Jonathan Lumbert & willam Case was Chosen hog Reves for the Insuing year

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

Att a Town meeting Leally held in Tisbury on ye 29 day of march anno Domini 1725 It was voted that Jonathan Lumbert should be modrater for sd meeting

It was voted that whereas the sd Town having had Tryal of ye abilities of ye Rev^{d} m^{r} HandCock in ye ministry in sd town & having had ye approbation and advice of the Rev^{d} neighbbouring ministers to call sd Rev^{d} mr HandCock to settle in ye ministry in sd Town do hereby manifest their Choice by vote of your selef and dwo here by give you a Legal Call to settle in ye ministry in Tisbury & take office in ye Church in sd Town and upon your acceptance have voted that yearly &. Every year you shall Continue ye minister of sd Town to pay unto you as a sallery ye sum of fifty pounds by way of tax to be apportioned upon ye Ratable pools & Estate of sd Town & Districts there of & further it was voted at sd meeting that upon your acceptance as afore sd & settlement in ye ministry that they do hear by vote promse & Engage to give unto your self ye sum of Two hundred pounds to be paid unto your self for a settlement of ye one hundred pounds there of to be pade at or before ye Expiration of one year next after your taking office in sd Town and ye other hundred pounds at or be fore ye Expiration of ye second year next after Taking office as aforesd the above sd Choice & vote & Engagements is sent and humbly offered to your serious Considration & humbly pray your Cordial arnswer by ye hands of our frinds there two Elected viz Jonathan Lumbert & Jabez Athearn of Tisbury

Entred upon ye Record ye 1th day of apriel 1725

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 23^{d} day of september 1725 it was voted by the Maj^{r} part of the voters then present

that this Town and disstricts should Taxt the sum of fifty foure pounds: fifty pounds of sd money is to pay ye Red; Mr nathenel handcock for his Labour in ye ministry in sd Town & for pound of sd money is to pay to Joseph allen for ye making of anew pound in sd town

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 4 day of october 1725 for to make Chois of Agents to act in behalf of sd Town; in petishioning to the Comis^{ns} for the Indian affaiers. to se whare they will alow any incuregment to the Rev^{d} mr handcock in case he doth Learn ye Indaen Languege & preach lectures to them it was voted that Jabez athearn and Experiance Luce should act for sd Town in that affaier

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

voted att a legal town meeting held in Tisbury on y^{e} 4 day of octo^{r} 1725 that this Town & disstricts should be taxt the sum of thirty shilings money to pay Ensine John manter for under pining y^{e} meeting house in tisbury

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 15 day of march 172$^{5}/_{6}$ for the Choise of Town offesers it was voted by the maj^{r} part of the voters then present that Isaac Robonson sam^{ll} Atharn & James peas should searve the Town in the office of Granjurers for the Insuing year voted at the above sd meeting that sam^{ll} manter Ebenezer Rogers & Jacob Robinson Junr ware Chosen pette Jurers for the next Corte, voted at the above sd meeting that Gersham Cithcart should sarve this Town in the office of a constable for the Insuing year voted at the above sd meting that Jabez Athearn & Joseph Allen & sam^{ll} Look should sarve this Town in the office of select men for the Insuing year voted at the above sd meeting that Joseph Allen should sarve this Town in the office of a Town Clark for the Insuing year

Voted at the above sd meeting that Jabez Athearn should sarve this Town in the office of a Town Tresurer for insuing year voted at the above sd meeting that Benjamin manter samuel Coob should sarve this Town in the office of survaiers of hieways for the insuing year. Voted at the above sd meeting that Jethro Athearn and sam^{ll} Coob should sarve this Town in the office of fence vewers for the insuing year:

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 23d Day of May AD 1726. It is voted by the Chch & Congreegation in Conjunction Do hereby vote and Agree to offer the following Proposuls for a Settlment and sallery to the Reverend mr Nathannel Hancock now Preacher in Tisbury of Two Hundred Pounds Settlment, The one Hundred Pound to be paid at or before the Expiration of one year next after his Acceptance of sd Proposals, and the other hundred Paid at or before the Expiration of the second year, And a Sallery of fifty Pounds ℔ Annum the sd Two first years and after that sixty Pounds ℔ Annum During his Life and Ability to Performe the work of the Gospel Ministry in sd Town of Tisbury he the sd Nathanael Hancock Settling and Taking Ofice in sd Town; The abovsd Proposals was voted and Sent To the sd Mr. Hancock for his Consideration & And Answer thereto in some Reasonable Time: — And Render his Answer to our Messengers vizt Jonathan Lumbert & Jabez Athearn of sd Tisbury —

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

A Certain Tract of Land being in Tisbury Lying on the West Side of the Old Mill Brook Comonly known by the hill alotment which the abovsd Lands was formerly laid out Into Sixteen Alotments with Convenient wayes Belonging thereunto: And the Records of the Bounds of the abovsd Alotments being Lost, Therefore at a Legal Propriatos Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 7th Day of November 1726 Then Voted that Benjamin Manter and Samuel Merrey should be Surveyers to Survey the Several Alotments of Lands Lying on the west Side of the old Mill Brook Commonly known by the hill Alotments & Likewise to settle & Renew ye Bounds of said Alotments with the wayes & to make Return of the Bounds of sd Alotments with the Several wayes unto the Propriators of sd Alotments: We the Subscribers have Proceeded according unto the abovsd vote of sd Propriators as followeth: The way is laid out at the head of the house lot of Thomas cathcart which was formerly Robert Cathcarts Deceased the way to begin on the westermost corner of the sd Lot adjoyning unto the way that Leads between the abov'sd Cathcarts house Lot & the Land of Thomas Look Decd and to Extend Notherly at ye head of the Sd house Lots untill it Meets with the highway yt Lyeth betwixt ye house Lot formerly belonging to Jeremiah Whitten Deceased & the house Lot of Josiah Torrey Deceased & the way is laid out from the abovsd way notherly upon a Streight-line untill it meets with the Corner of Joseph Allens Land unto a black oake tree Marked and to Extend Notherly upon the East Sid of abovsd Allens Land and the abovsd

way is Laid out three Rods in breadth and there is also a way laid out from the Land of James Allen and to Run Easterly along the head of John Cases house Lot Dec^{t} and upon a Straight line untill it meets with a white oake Stump marked Standing upon ye South Side of an old field known by the Name of James Skiffs field and upon a Strait line untill it meets with the high way: the abovsd way being Two Rods in breadth: also there is halfe an Acre of Land lying at the Clay pits for ye use and benefit of the Town to Dig Clay & a Conveniant way Either by bars or Gates from the abovsd the way is to Run Southerly untill it meets with the high way between ye abovsd Cathcarts & ye abovsd Looks land: The first Lot is bounded as followeth Southerly by the Land formerly belonging to Thomas Look Dec^{t} Notherly by the highway Westerly by the abovsd Cases land Easterly by the high way: Second Lot is bounded Southerly by the high way Notherly by a walnut tree Two on the South Side & three on the North side: Third Lot is bounded Southerly by the Second lot notherly by a walnut tree marked three on the south Side & four on the north side: the fourth Lot is bounded Southerly by the third Lot and notherly by a white oake tree marked four on the South side and five on the Northside: The fifth Lot is bounded Southerly by the fourth Lot Notherly by a Black oake tree Marked five on the South Side & Six on the north side: The Sixth Lot is bounded Southerly by the fifth Lott and northerly by a black oake tree Marked Six on the South side seven on the north side: the seventh Lot is bounded Southerly by the sixth Lott & notherly by a Black oake tree Marked Seven on the South side Eight in the north side: (The seventh Lot is Bounded Southerly by the Sixth Lot Notherly by a Black oake tree Marked seven on the south side & eight on the North side) The Eights Lot is Bounded Southerly by the Seventh Lot & notherly by a Black oake tree Marked Eight on the South side & nine on the North side: The Ninth Lot is Bounded southerly by the Eighth Lot & notherly by a Black oak tree marked Nine upon the South Side & ten on the northmost side: The tenth Lot is Bounded Southerly by ye Ninth Lot & Notherly by a white oake tree Marked ten on ye South side & Eleven on the Northmost side The Eleventh Lot is Bounded Southerly by the Tenth Lot & Notherly by a white oake tree marked eleven on the south side & twelve on ye Northmost side & the Twelfth Lot is Bounded Southerly by the Eleventh Lot & notherly by a walnut Stake marked: The thirteenth Lot is bounded Southerly by the Twelfth Lot & Notherly by a walnut Bush marked: The forteenth Lot is bounded Southerly by the Thirteenth Lot and Notherly by the River and the bounds of these Lots are upon Chilmark line, the fifteenth Lot is on

ye Estward of the abovsd highway bounded on the Westward on the High Way on the northward by the brook on the Eastward by two trees marked on the Southward by the heads of the Lots: The sixteenth Lot is bounded on the Northward by and Eastward by the Swamp or River by the Southward and Westward by James Allens Land and two trees marked.

November 12th 1726 Benja Manter Sam^LL Merrey
Entred pr order of s^d Propriators
Pr me Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

To the Church of Christ and Other Inhabitants in Tisbury: — : Having taken Under Consideration the call you have given me to Settle in the Work of the Gospell Ministry among you as also the Proposals made to me for my Encouragement Respecting my Outward Subsistance with you Bearing Date 23 may 1726 I have at Length come to the following Thoughts and Resolution vizt. That the the offers you made to me be very low and so the Encouragment in that Regard given me but very Slender, yet considering the Smallness of the Place and how few the Inhabitants are and that what you offer may be near as much as for the Present you are able to Do for me, Having also Considered that the Poor as well as Others ought to have the Gospell Preached to them; Relying on the Gracius Providence of God, That God whom I Desire to serve, and under him on the Justice & Generosity of the People by whom I am Called, I Do (you Still Continuing Desirus of it) Accept of your Call both as to your offers in my Settlment & Sallery, and as I think the call of God to serve him in his work among you and am Content that my former Answer (being not yet on Record) should become void, and be Committed to the Fire, this only with your Invitation and Proposals being Preferred and Recorded; and if what is now offered be accepted as satisfactory to you. I Desire in the Strength of of Christ & under the Deep sence of my own Insufficiency for so Great a work to Devote my self to your Service, Resolving according to the best of my ability, & the measure of the grace of God Granted unto me, to Endevour to Promote the good of your souls, Earnestly Desireing and Praying that we may be helped in our Respective Stations, so to Discharge the Dutys Incumbent on us that we may be Mutuall Comforts one to an other here in this World and Rejoyce together In the Day of the Lord: so I Remain yours In the service of the Gospell Tisbury 26 January 172$^{6}/_{7}$

Nathaniell Hancock

To the Reverend Mr. Nathanael Hancock Preacher of the Gospel in the Town of Tisbury; The Church of Christ & other Inhabitants of sd Town From a Town Meeting held in sd Town on the 21st Day of February Anno Domini 172$^{6}/_{7}$. Sendeth Greeting In your Answer Bearing Date the 26th of January 172$^{6}/_{7}$. To certain Proposals made to you for a settlment & Sallery for your Encouragment to Settle in sd Town bearing Date the 23d of May Last, at the aforsd Meeting your Answer was Received by the sd Town, Read & Accepted & voted & Committed to the Publick Records of sd Town Togeather with the aforsd Proposals. And we Do hereby Render you Thanks for your Acceptanse thereof: Hoping & Praying that by your Examplary Christian conversation & Faithfull Instructions, we may by the blessing of God Accompanying of them, have ever Cause to bless God for you, and may ever be Ready & Willing to Testefie the same by our utmost Endeavour to strengthen your hands and Encourage in that so great & Weighty Work whereunto you are Called, and that this is our Congratulation we have caused our Town Clerk in our behalf to signe the same & sent it you by our faithfull messenger Jonathan Lumbert

By order of sd meeting JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

The Three above written Perticular Acts were committed to me to be Recorded & Accordingly Recorded by me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clr*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 8 day of march 172$^{6}/_{7}$ for the Choise of Town offessers it was voted by the majr part of the voters then present that Jethro Athearn and Daved Luce and samuel Lumbert should sarve this Town in the office of gran iurers for the Insuing Year voted at ye above sd meeting that Joseph Allen & Edward hamet and Thomas Luce should sarve pete Jeurers for ye next Corte voted at ye above sd meeting that Jonathan Luce should sarve this Town in the office of a constable for ye Insuing year

Voted at ye above sd meeting that benjamin manter & samuel Cob should sarve in ye offise of survaiers for ye Insuing year

voted at ye above sd meeting that samuel Look and silvanis Cottel should sarve in ye office of fence vewers for ye Insuing year

voted at ye above sd meeting that Ebenezer Rogers and Isaac Robonson Juner should sarve in ye office of 'hog Reves for ye Insuing year:

ye Estward of the abovsd highway bounded on the Westward on the High Way on the northward by the brook on the Eastward by two trees marked on the Southward by the heads of the Lots: The sixteenth Lot is bounded on the Northward by and Eastward by the Swamp or River by the Southward and Westward by James Allens Land and two trees marked.

November 12th 1726 Benja Manter Sam^ll Merrey
Entred pr order of s^d Propriators
Pr me Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

To the Church of Christ and Other Inhabitants in Tisbury: — : Having taken Under Consideration the call you have given me to Settle in the Work of the Gospell Ministry among you as also the Proposals made to me for my Encouragement Respecting my Outward Subsistance with you Bearing Date 23 may 1726 I have at Length come to the following Thoughts and Resolution vizt. That the the offers you made to me be very low and so the Encouragment in that Regard given me but very Slender, yet considering the Smallness of the Place and how few the Inhabitants are and that what you offer may be near as much as for the Present you are able to Do for me, Having also Considered that the Poor as well as Others ought to have the Gospell Preached to them; Relying on the Gracius Providence of God, That God whom I Desire to serve, and under him on the Justice & Generosity of the People by whom I am Called, I Do (you Still Continuing Desirus of it) Accept of your Call both as to your offers in my Settlment & Sallery, and as I think the call of God to serve him in his work among you and am Content that my former Answer (being not yet on Record) should become void, and be Committed to the Fire, this only with your Invitation and Proposals being Preferred and Recorded; and if what is now offered be accepted as satisfactory to you. I Desire in the Strength of of Christ & under the Deep sence of my own Insufficiency for so Great a work to Devote my self to your Service, Resolving according to the best of my ability, & the measure of the grace of God Granted unto me, to Endevour to Promote the good of your souls, Earnestly Desireing and Praying that we may be helped in our Respective Stations, so to Discharge the Dutys Incumbent on us that we may be Mutuall Comforts one to an other here in this World and Rejoyce together In the Day of the Lord: so I Remain yours In the service of the Gospell Tisbury 26 January 172$^{6}/_{7}$

Nathaniell Hancock

To the Reverend Mr. Nathanael Hancock Preacher of the Gospel in the Town of Tisbury; The Church of Christ & other Inhabitants of sd Town From a Town Meeting held in sd Town on the 21st Day of February Anno Domini 172$^{6}/_{7}$. Sendeth Greeting In your Answer Bearing Date the 26th of January 172$^{6}/_{7}$. To certain Proposals made to you for a settlment & Sallery for your Encouragment to Settle in sd Town bearing Date the 23d of May Last, at the aforsd Meeting your Answer was Received by the sd Town, Read & Accepted & voted & Committed to the Publick Records of sd Town Togeather with the aforsd Proposals. And we Do hereby Render you Thanks for your Acceptanse thereof: Hoping & Praying that by your Examplary Christian conversation & Faithfull Instructions, we may by the blessing of God Accompanying of them, have ever Cause to bless God for you, and may ever be Ready & Willing to Testefie the same by our utmost Endeavour to strengthen your hands and Encourage in that so great & Weighty Work whereunto you are Called, and that this is our Congratulation we have caused our Town Clerk in our behalf to signe the same & sent it you by our faithfull messenger Jonathan Lumbert

By order of sd meeting JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

The Three above written Perticular Acts were committed to me to be Recorded & Accordingly Recorded by me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clr*

Att a Legal Town meeting held in Tisbury on the 8 day of march 172$^{6}/_{7}$ for the Choise of Town offessers it was voted by the majr part of the voters then present that Jethro Athearn and Daved Luce and samuel Lumbert should sarve this Town in the office of gran iurers for the Insuing Year voted at ye above sd meeting that Joseph Allen & Edward hamet and Thomas Luce should sarve pete Jeurers for ye next Corte voted at ye above sd meeting that Jonathan Luce should sarve this Town in the office of a constable for ye Insuing year

Voted at ye above sd meeting that benjamin manter & samuel Cob should sarve in ye offise of survaiers for ye Insuing year

voted at ye above sd meeting that samuel Look and silvanis Cottel should sarve in ye office of fence vewers for ye Insuing year

voted at ye above sd meeting that Ebenezer Rogers and Isaac Robonson Juner should sarve in ye office of hog Reves for ye Insuing year:

voted at ye above sd meeting that Jabez Athearn should sarve in ye office of Town Tresuer for ye insuing year

Voted at ye above sd meeting that Joseph Allen should sarve in ye office of Town Clark for ye Insuing year

voted at ye above sd meeting that Jabez Athearn & Joseph allen and Samuel Look should sarve In ye office of select men or asesers for ye Insuing year voted at ye above sd meeting that whiten manter should have ten shilings a year for sweping and Lookin after ye meeting house

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

At a Legal Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 24 of may 1727 upon ye Decease of Joseph Allen who Sustained severall offices; the following choice was made viz Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for y^{e} Remaining part of sd year & Propriators Clerk untill another be chosen & sworn: & Jonathan Luce was Chosen Select man & Sam^{ll} Manter Trustee for y^{e} Bank money

Entered ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Cl^{r}*

At a Legal Town Meeting held in Tisbury on y^{e} 15th of March 172$^{7}/_{8}$: Samuel Manter was chosen Constable: Jabez Athearn Sam^{ll} Look & Jonathan Luce were chosen Select men: Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk: Whitten Manter & William Rogers were chosen hogreeves: Benjamin Manter & Jethro Athearn were Chosen fence vewers: Sam^{ll} Cobb & Isaac Robinson were Chosen Surveyers of high wayes:

Entered ℘me JABEZ ATHEARN *Cl^{r}*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 21th Day of May AD: 1728 Then it was voted that Jabez Athearn should Go to Boston & wait upon ye Great and General Court & prefer a petition in order to try to Get some assistance toward ye Suport of the Ministry in sd Town & that ye sd Town should pay him five Shillings ℘ Diem During his Nessesary attendance thereon & for his Traveling to & from sd Court & the Town to pay ye Charge of prefering ye Petition: Entered ℘e me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Att a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 13th Day of May AD: 1728 Then by the Maj^{r} vote of sd Meeting Jabez Athearn Samuel Look & Jonathon Luce were chosen To the ofice of Trustees to Receive & manage Tisburys part of ye Sixty Thousand pounds Province Money

At a Legal Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 21st of June AD: 1728 Then Voted that Tisburys part of ye Sixty Thousand Pounds be Let out ůpon personall Security in 12^lb parcels & y^t out of s^d money there be paid to Jabez Athearn 3 – 3 – 0 for his service done ye Town in prefering a petition at Boston

At a Legall Town meeting held in Tisbury ye fifth Day of March AD: 1730: Then were Chosen Jabez Athearn Samuel Look & Jonathan Luce to serve in the office of selectmen ye year Ensueing & Samuel Lumbert was Chosen Constable & Jabez Athearn Town Clerk & Edward Hammett surveyer of highwayes & Benja: Manter & Jethro Athearn fene viwers:

Know all men by these Psents that whereas Wee Jonathan Lumburt jun^r & Jacob Robinson, have Lands & Swamp Lying in Tisbury in Dukes County at ye head of ye Mill pond The Dividing bounds whereof Betwixt them being heretofore very crooked & Uncertain wherefore for a future Peaceable & Quiett settlement betwixt them; It is Jointly agreed upon betwixt them & for their heirs & assignes for ever; That ye bounds for ye future shall be & Begin at a white oake Saplin Standing in ye fence by ye high way, Eastward of sd Lumburts house, & So ye Line to run from thence streight westerly to a Red Oake tree marked & so on a streight line onward to a stake stuke up with a heep of stones about it; & so ye line to turn southward & run to a white oake tree standing near y^e Brook upon y^e Ditch. And in further Confirmation & witness that this is our Joint & Mutuall Settlement as aforsd we have hereunto Sett our hands & ordered y^e same to be Recorded in y^e Town book of Tisbury this Eleventh Day of Febry in y^e year of Our Lord $17^{29}/_{30}$

Jonathan Lumburt
Jacob Robinson

Recorded pr order of y^e Parties y^e Twelfth day of feb: An: Dom: $17^{29}/_{30}$

Pr me Jabez Athearn Cl^r.

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury y^e Tenth day of March AD: $17^{29}/_{30}$ Then were Chosen Jabez Athearn Samuel Look & Jonathan Luce to serve as select men in s^d Town y^e Ensueing year: Whitten Manter Constable: Benj^a Manter & Edward Hamett surveyers of high wayes

payment for the pue Roomes by the persons or families that Enjoy them be by the Tenth Day of June next. and upon non payment to forfitt their right to them. and to be otherwise disposed off by the town: & the manner of takeing up the Pew rooms & Different Prices of them we dont Determine We Dont Determine. Jabez Athearn Experience Luce Samuel Look Jacob Robinson Samuel Manter Gershom Cathcart Samuel Lumbert

At An Adjournment of s^{d} meeting held in Tisbury on y^{e} 18th of January 173$^{2}/_{3}$. the above & fore going method was Read Considered & voted to Stand for a meathod so far forth as it Extends: further it was voted that Mr Samuel Cobb be imployed to Procure the building & finishing y^{e} above Discribed Meeting house Excepting the Lathing & Plastering & Excepting y^{e} Pews save one for the Ministers use & to Compleat his worke by the last of November next & that there be paid him for his service ye sum of 320^{ll} & the present old meeting house at Twenty Pounds: & the s^{d} Money to be paid at the following times vizt 120^{ll} by the 10th of June next: one hundred pounds at ye finishing of sd house & 100^{ll} at or before ye Expiration of ye year next Ensueing ye finishing of sd house.

It was allso voted That Mr Simon Mayhew Mr William Hunt & Mr Silvanus Allen be a Committee to proportion ye aforsd 120^{ll} upon the severall Pue spots Excepting the Ministers & to Appoint who shall have them at perticular prices & that Jabez Athearn Request them to under take ye work & Inform them of the manner of ye Meeting house And further more Jethro Athearn Jonathan Luce & George Manter were Chosen Trustees to take bonds of Mr Samuel Cobb for y^{e} Performance of the work & to give bonds to y^{e} sd Samuel Cobb for the payment of y^{e} aforsd severall sums

℘ order of sd Meeting

Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury the 12th of March 173$^{2}/_{3}$ Then were chosen Silvanus Cottle to serve in the office of Constable: Jabez Athearn Clerk Jabez Athearn Samuel Look & Gershem Cathcart select men Edward Hammet & Whitten manter serveyers of highwayes Jethro Athearn & Sam^{ll} manter fence vewers Gersheme Cathcart Pound keeper: all for the Ensueing year.

Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

At a Leagall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 21st day of May 1733 for consideration of Providing Entertainment for ye Raising a meet-

ing house in sd Town. when & where it was voted y^{t} mr Samuel Manter & Mr Whitten Manter do provid for sd Raising & that it be made in good wheaten Cake good Beere & Rum & Sugar. & when it be done & compleated to bring in the account of their Expenes to the Select men of sd Town who shall call a meeting to consider & vote the Raising a sum of money to Defrey the charge If it shall not happen to be Raised by free Contribution ye above written was Read & voted to pass in ye affirmative & ye above named Samuel Manter & Whitten Manter being Present at sd meeting & accepted thereof.

℘ order of s^{d} Meeting JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*
Entered ℘ JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye fifth day of June AD: 1733. At which sd Meeting Mr Jethro Athearn was Chosen & Appointed to Receive ye money of ye severall Persons yt were admitted to have pue spots in a New meetinghouse to be built in sd Town at ye prices sett by ye Committee for that purpose who is to Notifie ye Persens of ye time & place of his Attendence & to give Discharges upon Recept & to pay what he shall Receive to the Towns Trustees to be improved for the makeing the first payment towards the Meeting house. & to make return to ye Select men of sd Town who has payed & who has not payed their severall Respective Sums Enjoynd on them for their Respective Pue Spots.

℘ order of sd Meeting
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Whereas that we the subscribers hereunto vizt Edward Hammett of sd Tisbuary Wosted Comber and Jethro Athearn of s^{d} Town farmer are Equally Owners of a Lott of Land lying in sd Town at place on ye southward of sd Hammett now dwelling house in Length from the brook about halfe a Mile East: & being minded to Divide the same so that Each Party may hold his Right in severalty; have agreed that the Dividing line shall be & Remain for us our heirs and assigns for ever: first begining at a black Oake tree now Standing in the Corner of Experience Luces now fence on the west side of the now open Road, & thence the Line is to Run Due East by the Compass the Length of the Lott; and the s^{d} Hammett his heirs & assigns to Enjoy the Lands & Appurtinences the Northward of s^{d} Line the whole Length of the Lott & the sd Athearn his heirs & Assignes to Enjoy all the Lands & Appurtinences Southward

of sd Line. And in Witness & Confirmation that this is & shall be & Remaine our Division & finall settlement; We have hereunto sett our hands & seals this Twenty sixth day of January AD: 1734

In Presence of us y^e subscribers
as Witnesses — EDWARD HAMMETT (S)
SAM^LL ATHEARN — JETHRO ATHEARN (S)
WILLIAM BRIDGE

Recorded by me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*
January y^e 29th 1734

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury y^e 15th Day of March 173$^3/_4$. Then were Chosen Jabez Athearn Moderator: David Luce Constable Jabez Athearn Sam^ll Look & Gershem Cathcart select men: Experience Luce Town Treasurer. Sam^ll Cobb & whitten Manter Serveyers of high ways Ebenezer Rogers & Shubal Luce fence vewers. Seth Look & William Rogers hogreeves. and Jabez Athearn Town Clerk. all for the Ensueing year

JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on y^e 20th of March 173$^3/_4$ upon the Refusall of David Luce to serve as Constable y^e Town proceeded & chose Shubal Luce to serve in y^e office of constable y^e Insueing year

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr*

Jabez Athearn Sam^ll Look & Gershem Cathcart were sworn as assessors to make all the rates & taxes in y^e Town of Tisbury in y^e year 1734

Entered pr me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

To his Excellency Jonathan Belcher Esqr Captain Generall & Governour in Chiefe in & over his Maj^ts & to ye Honourable Province of ye Massachusets Bay in New England & to his Maj^ts Councell & house of Representitives in Generall Court Assembled

The Petition or Memorial of ye Inhabitants of ye Town of Tisbury In ye County of Dukes County in ye Province aforsd humbly sheweth That Whereas ye select men or Assessors of Our sd Town have yearly for a long time Taxed part of a neck of Land lying within ye bounds of sd Town Commonly Called watsha Neck: The which bounds upon a survey made & Reported by Co^ll Otis & Coll Bassett on that part were settled from ye lower end of sd neck so to run up ye midle of sd neck &c: as

more fully & at large will Appear by an Attested Copy of sd Coll Otis & Coll Bassets Report thereon hereunto annexed; & ye Taxes as aforsd have been gathered by the Collectors of sd Tisbury; untill of late one Simeon Butler having built & settled upon y^t part of sd Neck & Enclosed the same. Doth refuse to pay his Proportion of Tax for his poll & Estate within ye sd bounds: & hath caused ye selectmen of our sd Town to be sumoned to Answer his Complant for Assessing of him, Alledging ye same to be unjust as not being within ye bounds of sd Town

And ye Selectmen humbly Conceiving it nessesary in order to vindicate ye Justness of their Cause to get Evidence to prove y^t what they Taxed was within ye bounds Went with two disinterested persons to view their bounds there. but were violently opposed by the sd Butler so y^t they could not come to sd bounds: whereupon the sd select men Petitioned his Maj^ts Court of Generall sessions of ye Peace held at Edgartown within & for sd County on ye Last Tuesday of October Last (at whch court sd Butlers conplant was to be heard) but could get no reliefe ye sd Court alledging it lay not within their power to act in such cases but prevailed for forbarance untill next term (which will be in March next that they might seek relief from this hon^bl Court now ye Memorialists humbly pray y^t this hon^bl Court would generously be pleased to take ye grievance of sd Town into their wise & Judicious Concideration & Grant reliefe y^t ye select men may be in a way to evidence ye Justness of their Cause. And humble Propose ye same may be done by Authorizeing some gen^t in ye County to Appoint two or more Disinterested persons under ye conduct of some officer to go with ye selectmen of our sd Town to view the bounds & to report at ye afor sd Court at ye time appointed for Tryall where ye sd Butlers Dwelling is & where ye Lands Taxed lyes; or else by some other way or means as in y^r wisdon you shall think fitt: & we humbly propose Enoch Coffin Esqr of Edgertown (a gentlmen of known Integrity may be Imployed therein: And your Memorialists for y^r Excell & honours as in Duty bound shall Ever pray:

℘ order of sd Town Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Recorded ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

December ye 31th AD: 1734 Then Experience Luce being Chosen to the office of Town Treasurer in Tisbury was sworn to the faithfull Discharge of sd Office by the selectmen of Tisbury. Entered pr order of the sd selectmen

pr me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on y^{e} seventeenth Day of March AD 173$^{4}/_{5}$ Then George Manter was Chosen Constable Experience Luce Town Treasurer. Jabez Athearn Jonathan Lumbert Junr. & Jacob Robinson were chosen selectmen.

Sam^{ll} Athearn & Edward Hammett surveyers of highways. Sam^{ll} Cobb & Gershome Cathcart fence viewers. Jabez Athearn Town Clerk Silvanus Cottle & John Merrey hogreeves Gershom Cathcart Pound keeper & keeper & sealer of weights & measures: all Chosen to serve in the severall offices in The Town of Tisbury for ye year Ensueing. Likewise at sd Meeting it was voted thàt Twenty shillings should be paid out of the Treasury of sd Town to such person as should be hired to look after & keep ye Doors of ye Meeting house & Sweep sd house so often as was Needfull for one year next after this date. & it was voted that the five pounds Comming to the Town on ye account of ye Two pues over the stairs in the Meeting hous which was paid into the hands of Jethro Athearn be paid in to the Town Treasurer: & that the Town Treasurer out of the same pay Gershome Cathcart & George Manter for their work in mending the pound & stoock & for providing seals for y^{e} Town to seal weights & Measures as y^{e} Law Requires

Recorded y^{e} 18th Day of March AD 173$^{4}/_{5}$ ℘ me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At A Town Meeting held in Tisburry on the fourth Day of January AD 1736 Then Capt Samuel Cobb was Chosen Surveyer of Hemp & flax for y^{e} Remaining Part of the year in s^{d} Tisbury, and was accordingly Sworn by the Maj^{r} part of the select men of s^{d} Town To the faithfull Discharge of sd Trust by Administering the oath Presentd in the Law in that behalfe to him

Record^{d} ℘ me

JA: ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At a Legall Town meeting held in Tisbury ye second Day of March AD 1736. Then Samuel Luce was Chosen Constable Jabez Athearn Jonathon Lumbert Ju^{r} & Jacob Robinson were chosen selectmen: Jabez Athearn Town Clerk: Experience Luce Town Treasurer: Sam^{ll} Athearn & Edward Hammett surveyers of Highwayes: Gershom Cathcart & Silvanus Cottle fence vewers. Whitten Manter to look after ye Doors of & Sweep the Meeting house in Tisbury. & all these offices are for the year Ensuing:

Recorded March y^{e} 4th 1736

℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At a meeting held in Tisbury at march meeting in y^{e} year 1736. Sam^{ll} Look Jethro Athearn Ichabod Allen & Ebenezer Rogers Drawn for Petit Jurors.

At a Legall Propriators Meeting held in Tisbury on y^{e} 13th Day of January 173$^{6}/_{7}$ Then by the Maj^{r} vot of y^{e} Propriators then assembled Mr Experience Luce was chosen Moderator also at sd Meeting Jabez Athearn was chosen Propriators Clerk who was according sworn to the Discharg of sd office

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn
Propriators Clerk

at the abovsd Meeting it was voted that Propriators Meetings in sd Tisbury shall for the future be Deemed Legally warned by a Notification sett up in some publick place in sd Town by y^{e} Propriators Clerk with ye Consent of Three or more of ye S^{d} Propriators:

Enterd Jan^{ry} y^{e} 13th 173$^{6}/_{7}$
℘ me Jabez Athearn *Prop^{ts} Clerk*

At a Legall Propriators Meeting held in Tisbury on the 13th Day of January AD: 173$^{6}/_{7}$ Then John Allen of Chilmark Esqr was by the major vote of the Propriators then Assembled Chosen Agent for sd Propriety who being Then Present Accepted of sd Agency.

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Prop^{ts} Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting begun & held in Tisbury on y^{e} Ninth Day of February 173$^{6}/_{7}$ for Considering & Settling a schoole in sd Town & the Matter being left to a Committee & y^{e} Meeting adjournd unto y^{e} 23 Day of sd month who made Return as followeth vizt Whereas we the subscribers were chosen as a committee for the Settling a schoole as to the times & places in the Town of Tisbury have Determined as followeth The aforsd schoole to be held & keept in Tisbury near the house of Whitten Manter seven months & a half in a year from the time of its Commencing.

2: To be kept & held att Checemmoo near the Common Road betwixt the Dweling houses of David Butler & John Cottle Eleven weeks next Ensuing the aforsd Terme

3 the Remaining part to Compleat a year, to be keept at some Convenient place at Homeses hole:

Dated at Tisbury Feb: 14/ 173$^{6}/_{7}$

JETHRO ATHEARN
ABNER WEST.
GERSHOM CATHCART.
JOHN COTTLE.

At a Legal Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 16th Day of February 173$^{6}/_{7}$ at Three a Clock in the afternoone for considering some Differences arising about Certain votes passed at a Town meeting begun & held on y^{e} 9th of February & Continued by adjornment untill y^{e} 23 of sd February 173$^{6}/_{7}$. whether the vots passed at sd meeting Are Maintainable by Law under the Notetification set up for the warning sd meeting or not; And for a Disçision thereof it was voted at sd meeting on y^{e} sd 16th of March & Concluded on by the Maj^{r} Part of the voters then Present to Reffer the Consideration thereof to Coll^{n} Zacheus Mayhew & Enoch Coffin Esqr. who are to chuse a third man if they cant agree, & their Determination or any two of them to be finall as to the standing or falling of all the votes of sd Meeting Relating to a schoole

Entered ℘ me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clrk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury Feb^{ry} 19th 173$^{6}/_{7}$ Then Jabez Athearn was chosen Moderator of sd Meeting also it was voted that there should be a Publick schoole kept in sd Tisbury for y^{e} space of one year next Ensueing & a schoolmaster Provided for that End to Teach children & youth to Read & write &c

It was also voted that the Manner in which sd schoole should be settled in Regard to the severall places it shall be moved unto, the length of Time keept in such place, & the perticular times of the year in Each place, These Considered & Drawn up by Jethro Athearn Gershem Cathcart George Manter John Cottle & Abner West as a Committee Chosen for that End who are to make Report thereof at an adjournment of sd Meeting to be held in sd Tisbury at the usuall place on wednesday y^{e} 23^{d} of sd Feb: at Twelve a Clock in s^{d} Day untill which time & place sd Meeting is adjourned.

℘ Order of sd Meeting
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

And Then at y^e Adjournment of sd meeting on y^e 23 of February 173$^{6}/_{7}$ as aforsd It was voted that there should be a schoolehouse built forthwith as Conveniently may be & to stand at the Easterly Corner of Whitten Manters field in sd Tisbury which is to be Twenty feet in Length & Sixteen feet in breadth six foot & an half between joints which is to be built & finished suitable for such a use having a Chimney to itt: & that the procuring of its being Done is Committed & be trusted with Jethro Athearn Sam^ll Cobb & Sam^ll Manter who are to keep a true account of their Cost & Charge Expended thereon in perticulors & to lay their Account before s^d Town for their Allowance & payment there of: & the sum of fifty Pounds be Assessed by sd Town & Districts & paid in to the Treasury of sd Town by the Last of June next for the Defreying the Cost & Charge thereof. All & Every of the above Articles & Clauses were agreed upon by a Major vote at sd meeting.

Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

These Presents Witnesseth that we the subscribers ye Selectmen of Tisbury & Chilmark being Mett to gether this 25 day of February 1737 in Order to Preambulate & Renew ye Bound Marks in the Dividing line between the said Towns & have agreed upon a lone flat great Rock lying in the sound some Little Distance from the shoar at Kiphicon, and a Rock near or at Wascoseems known by the Name of the Great Rock, And a Stake Standing in Cases field so Called with a heap of Stones laid About itt, where formerly Stood a Great Marked tree now Rotten & gone, and a black Oake tree marked with a heap of Stones laid about itt & Standing by the highway a Little to the Westward of a Slough or Mirey place not far from the house of Eliashib Adams & to the Westward thereof all which bounds we find to be the same heretofore acknowledged & Renewed as the bounds between the said Towns by the former Selectmen of the said Towns of Tisbury and Chilmark. In Witness whereof we have hereunto sett our hands ye Day & year abovs^d.

Simon Mayhew.	*Selectmen*	Jonathan Lumbert	*Selectmen*
Silvanus Allen.	*of*	Sam^LL Manter	*of*
Beriah Tilton.	*Chilmark*	Jacob Robinson	*Tisbury*

Recorded this 27th Day of February 1737

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in y^e Town of Tisbury on y^e Eighth Day of March AD 173$^{6}/_{7}$ Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen moderator of

sd meeting as also Benjamin Lumbert was Chosen to the office of constable in sd Town for y^{e} Ensueing year. As also Jonathan Lumbert Juner Jacob Robinson & Samuel Manter were Chosen Selectmen in sd Town for the year Ensueing as also Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for ye year Ensuing Experience Luce Chosen Town Treasurer

Samuel Athearn & Edward Hamett Chosen surveyers of highways

sam^{ll} Look & Jonathon Luce Chosen fence vewers Capt sam^{ll} Cobb Chosen surveyer of Hemp & Flax also Whitten Manter was Appointed to keep & sweep the Meeting house in Tisbury the Ensuing year & it was voted that he should have paid him out of the Treasury of sd Town 20^{s} for his wages

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Eighth day of March AD: 1737. Then at sd Meeting Mr Experience Luce was Chosen Moderator, At which s^{d} meeting Seth Look was Chosen Constable for ye Insueing year.

Jethro Athearn Samuel Manter & Jacob Robinson Chosen select men for the ensueing year. Jabez Athearn Chosen Town Clerk: Whitten Manter & silvanus Cottle Chosen surveyers of highwayes for the Ensueing year Thomas Look John Lewis & Joseph Merrey Chosen hog reeves for ye Ensueing year: Capt sam^{ll} Cobb Mr David Butler & Mr Gershome Cathcart Chosen fence vewers for ye Ensueing year. Mr Experience Luce chosen Town Treasurer

At which sd Meeting ye Sum of three Pounds money be Raised by Rate in sd Town for payment of sending to the Generall Court for Orders to prevent ye spreading the Small Pox; & for keeping & sweeping the Meeting house in ye year 1738: and that Jonathan Lumbert be allowed & paid him out of the Treasury in s^{d} Town ye sum of 12^{s} for Repairing the Pond in Tisbury Lately, all these articels were voted at ye abvsd Meeting:

Jab^{z} Athearn *Cl*

At a Meeting Legally held in Tisbury for ye Choice of Jurors on the Eighth Day of March 1737 then Gersheme Cathcart Soloman Athearn Henry Luce Samuel Lumbert were Drawn for to serve as: petit Jurors.

At y^{e} above meeting David Butler Nathan Chase Sam^{ll} Gray Zephaniah Luce George Manter were chosen Grand Jurors

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury the 16th Day of March 173$^{6}/_{7}$ Then it was voted that the selectmen of sd Town should & are hereby Instructed to Draw up some Prudentiall orders for ye Regulating of ye affairs of sd Town Relating to sheep & sheep Rams for the space of Three years next ensuing

Entered ꝑr me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting Regularly warned & held at the Meeting house in Tisbury on ye Seventh Day of February AD : 173$^{7}/_{8}$. then the Propriators meett & made Choice of Mr Benjamin Manter for Moderator of sd Meeting.

At which sd Meetting it was voted by the Maj part part of ye Propriatie then present that all the Commen & undivided Land Lying witin the bounds of Tisbury southward of ye great Road that Leads from sd Tisbury to Edgartown, that is to say all the Lands Lying at the heads of the Necks to witt Tississa Charleses Neck & Nohamens Neck home to the Eastermost bounds of sd Township be Devided into three Divisions vizt from ye woody botton to ye Deep bottom one & from thence to the East side of Charless neck purchase one & the Remender Eastward of thet, the third Divsun Even into Sixteen Shares or allottments and that ye abovsd Meeting was Adjornd unto the 21st Day of february Instant to be held at ye usual place at one of ye Clock in the afternoone of sd Day Agreed to & voted at sd Meeting

Entered ꝑ order of sd Meeting
ꝑ me Jabez Athearn
Prerprors Clerk

Then on the 21st Day of febry 173$^{7}/_{8}$
the Propriators assembled & held a meeting & at sd meeting ye Majr Part of the Prepriety present voted that Samll Athearn Gershem Cathcart & Thomas Luce be a committee to Lay out ye abovsd peices of Land with convenient ways & that they Do itt between this day & the midle of may next & then make return of their Doings unto a Meeting of the Propriators then to be held

Entered ꝑ order of sd Meeting Jabez Athearn
Proprietors Clerk

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Thirtieth Day of August at 7 a Clock in the forenoone AD 1738 for the Raiseing Money for the payment of the schoole master in the year 1739.

Then itt was voted that ye sum of Sixty five pounds in Money of the old Tenor be raised upon the ratable Polls & Ratable Estates &c of the Inhabitants of ye Town of Tisbury & Districts thereof & that a List thereof be made by the assessors or selectment of Tisbury & Committed to the Constable or Collector of sd Town with a warrant to Collect the said sum & to pay in the one half thereof to the Treasurer of sd Town at on or before the Last Day of October next & the other halfe at or before the Last Day of Aprill next Ensueing & then to make up his acct of the whole sum ℘ order of sd Meeting

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbary on y^{e} 16th Day of January at Ten of y^{e} Clock in y^{e} year 173$^{8}/_{9}$ at which time upon the Peples being Generally meet Mr Benj^{a}. Manter was Chosen Moderator at which s^{d}. Meeting it was put to vote whether there should be a schoole Master provided to keep schoole in Tisbury for the Ensueing year & it passed in the Affirmative:

Also it was voted that Ichabod Allen Jethro Athearn & Thomas West should seek out & provid & agree with a suitable Persen to be a schoolmaster to keep schoole in sd Town the Insueing year.

also at sd Meeting the question was put whether there should be a moving schoole keept or a fixed schoole keept in the Town ye Ensueing year & it was voted that there should be a fixed schoole (viz) at one fixed place the Ensuing year also at sd Meeting the Question was put whether ye fixed school should be keept at the present schoole house in sd Town or not & it was voted that itt should not

also it was voted at sd Meeting that the sum of three ponds fifteen shillings should be Raised in sd Town by the way of Rate to make up & Compleat the sallery Engaged to the school master for the year partly past & partly to Come

all y^{e} abovsd votes were passed at the abovsd meeting.

Entered by order of sd meeting ℘ me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Cl^{r}*

At a Town Meeting held in Tisbury on y^{e} 16th Day of February 173$^{8}/_{9}$. for the Consideration of y^{e} Affair of a school in sd Town. At which s^{d} meeting Jabez Athearn was chosen Moderater. & the Question was put whether sd Meeting was Legally warned & it passed in the Affermitive: Then y^{e} Question was put whether the two vots that were

passed at a Town meeting held in sd town on ye 16th Day of January Last vizt for ye fixing of a schoole & negativeing the holding of itt & the present schoole house should be void or stand good & it passed in the negative Then it was Proposed & put to vote whether the Consideration whether there should be a fixed schoole or a moved schoole keept for the space of ten years next Ensueing should be Determined by Mr Samuel Bassett Mr Ebenezer Smith & Mr Trustrum Coffin & if they Determine a fixed schoole then to state the place if a Moving schoole then how often to what places & for w^{t} space of time and it passed in the affermitive

Entered pr order of sd meeting

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town held in Tisbury on y^{e} Ninth Day of March bugun at Eight of the Clock: AD 173$^{8}/_{9}$. and being Assemble Choice was made of Jabez Athearn for Moderator at s^{d} meeting. At which s^{d} Meeting Samuel Merrey was Chosen Constable in s^{d} Town the Ensueing year. & Jethro Athearn Samuel Manter & Samuel Lumbert were Chosen selectmen: & Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk. Benjamin Allen & Benjamin Foster were Chosen serveyers of high ways. Henry Luce Jonathan Lumbert & Shubael Luce fence vewers. Experience Luce Town Treasurer.

At a Legall Town meeting Regularly assembled on y^{e} ninth Day of March A : D : 173$^{8}/_{9}$. Then it was voted that there should be raised the sum of Ten Pounds by way of rate upon the Town of Tisbury by way of addition to the sallery formerly granted & agreed upon for the support of the Ministry in sd Town the which sum was Sixty Pounds & this addition of Ten Pounds is for the year Ensueing. The Reverend Mr Nathanael Hancock being the Present Minister:

Entered pr order of sd Meeting ℘^{r} me

Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

At ye abovsd Meeting it was voted that Ichabod Allen Samuel Look & Jethro Athearn should Look out & agree with a Suitable person to Teach schoole in Tisbury this year: And also it was put to vote whether for the space of three years next Ensueing a Publick schoole shall be keept for the use of the whole Town of Tisbury & Districts thereof seven months in Each year at ye Present schoole house in sd Town & five months remaining in Each year at or near ye present house of Samuel Merrey & that a house of 14 foot square Conveniently finished for that

use be built there this year for the Towns use & that the sum of 30ll be raised in sd Town by Rate for the building thereof to be paid to the undertakers at or before the first Day of July next & it went in the affirmative and at sd Meeting Jonathon Luce Samuel Lumbert John Cottle and Benjamin Allen appeared & undertook to build sd house for ye 30ll together with might be gathered by free Contribution if sd 30ll was not sufficient; who subscribed with their hands in Confirmation ye 9th of March 173$^{8}/_{9}$. Jonathan Luce Samuel Lumbert John Cottle Benja Allen all the abovsd Matters & things were agreed to & passed at sd Meeting. Whitten Manter was agreed with to look after & sweep the Meeting house the year Ensueing for 20s

Entered ℘ order of sd Meeting
℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

March Meeting 173$^{8}/_{9}$ Jonathan Lumbert Jonathan Luce & John Cottle Shubael Luce Silvanus Cottle Grand Jurors Jonathan Dunham Thomas West Benja. Lumbert Samuel Daggett Drawn for Petit Jurors

At a Meeting for Petit Jurors October ye 26th 1739. David Luce Thomas Smith Henry Luce Abner West were Chosen

February the 10th 1740 Wee the Subscribers being the Selectmen of the Towns of Tisbury and Chilmark, being Mett in Order to Perambulate & Renew the Bounds between the sd Towns and accordingly Wee agree to Renew a Rock lying in the Wash of the Sea on the North side of the Island; and a Great Rock Lying at the East End of the Midle Line. Commonly known by the Name of the great Rock; and further to a Stake with a heap of Stones round it at a place Commonly known by the name of Cases field And to a black Oake Saplin Markt at the North side of the Road a Little to the Westward of the House of Mr Eliashib Adams: All which we find to be the Bounds Renewed by the Select men hereto for

Silvanus Allen } *Select men*
Eliashib Adams } *of Chilmark*

Samuel Lumbert } *Selectmen*
Shubael Luce } *of Tisbury*

Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

That At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on y^e forteenth Day of March AD $17^{39}/_{40}$

Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting Samuel Gray was Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year Samuel Manter Samuel Lumbert & Shubael Luce were Chosen selectmen for y^e Ensueing year

Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for the Ensueing year Benj^a. Allen & Benj Foster Chosen surveyers of high wayes Benj^a. Lumber John Luce & Nathon Chase Chosen fence vewers for ye Ensueing year

Gershome Cathcart was Chosen keeper & sealer of weights and measures for ye Ensueing year.

Whitten Manter Appointed to take care of & sweep the Meeting house for Twenty shillings y^e Ensueing year. Experience Luce was Chosen Town Treasurer for y^e Ensueing year all The above articles were voted & ordered on Record and Accordingly Entered ℘ order of sd Town

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Cl.*

It was voted at the abovsd meeting that the sum of $^{L}11 = 3^{s} = 9^{d}$ be paid to Benjamin Lumbert Constable of Tisbury out of the sd Town Treasury & that upon Defect of money in sd Treasury to be Raised by Rate on the next Rate that shall be made: for that sd sum is wanting in his Rate bill thro mistake of y^e Assessers

Enterd ℘r order of sd Town

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Town Meeting held at Tisbury on the 10th Day of April, AD 1740 Then Voted that whereas Edward Hamett hath fenced up a Certain Common Road that runs about North & south along by sd Hametts house and is Accounted a Common Nusance & ought to be removed and That Samuel Manter and Jacob Robinson be Agents for the Town to Prosecute the Removall of sd Incumbrance by way of Complaint to a Justice of ye Peace that Process may be Ishued Agreeable to the Second Parrigraph in the Law Book under Page 48 in the Province Law book And that the Town Defrey the Charge that they may be put to in Prosecuting the Same Read & Voted

Attst Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Eighth Day of May AD 1740: Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meet-

ing: Then voted thet the fences that Edward Hamett hath sett up a Cross the Road by his house is an Incumbrance that ought to be removed & that the Town Proceed to gitt the same Removed & Made Choice of Capt Samuel Cobb Ensign Gersheme Cathcart & Mr Samuel Manter as Agents for sd Town to Prosecute the same in the method the Law Prescibes in the Povince Law Book under Page ye 48th Paragraph ye second (viz) by Complaint to a Justice of the Peace &c: And that what Charge & Expense the agents are at in the affair be Defreyed by the Town But if sd agents see Cause to make an Agreement with sd Hamett about sd way they are hereby authorized so to do & make Return of the same at a Town Meeting but if they Cant agree then to Proceed in the Law as above specified

Voted an act of sd town

Test Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Whereas that there is Some uneasiness and Discontent among the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for want of a Stated open Road for the use of sd Town across ye severall Lotts and Tracts of Land lying on the west side of the brook & to the Northward of the high way that lyeth and Runeth west from said brook between whetten Manters Land and the Land of Mr Hancock and Extend Northward over the sd brook untill you come to a Cart path that goeth from Edward Hametts place to the Indian Town; which sd Lots & Tracts of Land are now in the Tenure of Mr. Nathanael Hancock, Shobael Luce Experience Luce, Zephaniah Luce, & Jabez Athearn all of Tisbury

Now therefore for a Satisfaction to the said Town and for the future Quiet & Peasable Enjoyment: We the said Nathanael Hancock, Shobael Luce, Experience Luce Zephaniah Luce and Jabez Athearn, for our selves our & Each of our Heirs & Assignes Covenant Promise and Grant to & with the Inhabitants of Tisbury their heirs sucsessors and Assigns for ever, That there shall be & Remain an open Road for the Common Use of sd Town for ever and to begin at the aforsaid High Way in the Raising of a white Oake tree marked Standing westerly of sd Mr Hancocks, now Dwelling house. and so to Extend two Rods Westward in breadth & So to run northward a streight Road untill it comes to a Corner where was formerly ye Corner of Mr Josiah Torreys Inclosure & from thence to run Northrly of two rod breadth across the sd Shobael Luces Land, Experience Luces land and Zephaniah Luces land as the way now leads to the aforsd brook so acrooss ye sd Brook as the way

now is & so along North easterly untill it comes to the aforsd way that Lead to the Indian Town as the cart path now is & in breadth as it is between ye Present fences: In witness whereof we the said Nathanael Hancock, Shobael Luce Experience Luce Zephaniah Luce and Jabez Athearn have hereunto Sett our hands this Eighth Day of May AD 1740.

NATHA^LL HANCOCK, SHOBAEL LUCE, EXPERIENCE LUCE,
ZEPHANIAH LUCE, JABEZ ATHEARN
Ertred ℘ JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 19th Day of March AD. 1741. Then at sd Meeting Mr Experience Luce was Chosen Moderator.

at S^d Meeting Thomas Look was Chosen to serve in the office of Constable in sd Town for ye Ensuing year at sd Meeting Samuel Manter Samuel Lumbert & Shubael Luce were Chosen for selectmen.

Jabez Athearn Chosen Town Clerk: Benjamin Allen & Benj^a Foster were Chosen surveyers of high wayes

Ichabod Allen Silvanus Cottle. Mr Experience Luce Chosen Town Treasurer. Whitten Manter is Appointed to take Care of ye Meeting house & sweep it as often as is need for 30^s ye Ensueing year and to get the Doors Repaired at ye Towns Charge

At ye aforsd Meeting the sum of Sixty Pounds Granted to be Raised by Rates upon ye Polls & Ratable Estates in sd Town for the payment of the schoolmaster for Teaching School in sd Town partly in ye year 1740 & partly in the year 1741.

Pursuant to an Act of the Town of Tisbury on the Eighth Day of May AD. 1741, Impowering Capt Samuel Cobb, Ensign Gershome Cathcart & Mr Samuel Manter to Endeavor to make an agreement with Mr Edward Hamett about a way that sd Hamett had fenced up that Lay about North & South along by his house thro his Land. they the sd Agents Proceeded & agreed with sd Hamett to Remove sd way a Little to the Eastward of what it was: Namely to take its Departure from the Corner of the fence of Mr Experiences field Eastward of sd Luces house and so to run Thirty foot in breadth to a Stump in the fence that sd Hamett hath made, and from that Stump to Continue runing northward a Cross sd Hametts land the same breadth an open Road & so to run ye same breadth untill it Comes & Meets with a Cart path that Leads from the house of Mr Jabez Athearn; both sd ways meet Each other at

the old way that before Lead from sd Hametts house: ye aforsd new way being Cleared of the wood that Grew upon itt by sd agents by ye Consent of the Owners of the Land as they Declared & ordered a Record thereof:

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clr*

Memorandum That on ye fifth Day of December AD. 1741. Then Samuel Manter Samuel Lumbert & Shubael Luce were Chosen Selectmen or Assessors in the Town of Tisbury for the year 1741 Personally Appeared before me ye Subscriber being Town Clerke in sd Town (There being no Justice of ye Peace Inhabitting in sd Town) & Declared that they Received ye Act of ye Province but on ye second Day of sd December but notwith standing they took the oath prescribed in sd Act in order to Proceed to make a Return of the valuation of & List pursuant to sd Act for a New Doome

Test Jabez Athearn *Town Clr of sd Tisbury*

At a Legall Town meeting Held in Tisbury on ye 25th Day of February AD 1741 or 2. Then it was voted that the school in sd Town should be keept for the space of seven months in ye school house near whitten Manters house & five months at the schoolhouse near ye house of Samuel Merrey, & so to Continue for the space of three years next Ensueing.

Entered ℘ Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 13th Day of March AD 1741: or 2. At which meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator. Jabez Athearn Chosen Town Clerk for ye ensueing year. Mr Thomas Smith was Chosen Constable & being present Refused to serve so the Meeting Proceeded to a New Choice. & then was Chosen Mr David Butler to serve in ye office of Constable the Ensueing year. Samuel Manter Shuball Luce & John Cottle were Chosen selectmen for the year Ensueing. Experience Luce Chosen Town Treasurer. George Manter & Benj foster were Chosen surveyers of highways & other bywayes in the Town for ye Towns use. Jethro Athearn Henry Luce & David Luce were Chosen fence vewers for ye year Ensueing.

Chilmark February the 24–1743. Whereas we the Subscribers being the Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury & Chilmark being mett togeather in order to Renew the bounds between the sd Towns & accordingly we

Renew a Rock Lying in the Wash of the Sea on ye North side of the Island and a Great Rock at the north East Corner of Mr Hancocks farme Commonly known by the Nane of the Great Rock & a stake standing in a place know by the name of Cases field, and a Black Oake tree Marked at the North Side of the Schoolhouse path a Little to the Westward of the House of Eliashib Adams All which we find to be the Bounds heretofore Renewed by the Selectmen of Each Town.

Beriah Tilton Silvanus Allen Elishib Adams	*Selectmen of Chilmark*	Samuel Manter John Cottle Shubel Luce	*Selectmen of Tisbury*

Recorded ye 25th of February ℘^r Order of the sd Selectmen 1743.
℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 25th day of March A.D. 1743.

Then was Nominated & Chosen Jabez Athearn for Moderator of sd Meeting.

Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk

Benjamin Allen Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year

Samuel Manter Shuball Luce and John Cottle were Chosen to serve in the office of selectmen for the Ensueing year

Thomas Smith & Edward Hamett were Chosen to serve in the office of serveyers of highwayes for ye Ensueing year

Jacob Robinson was Chosen to the office of Treasurer in sd Town for ye Ensueing year

Whitten Manter appointed to keep the meeting house Doors & sweep the house for ye Ensueing year & to be paid 30^s old tenor for his service

ordered at sd Meeting that a sufficient Pound built & by ye seclectment appointed to stand at ye Eastrly Corner of Jabez Athearns Enclosure by his mill & that Jabez Athearn undertake to see it built timely after it is Seasenable Cutting timber & certifie ye town of the cost & that the Town Cause ye Cost seasenably to be paid. Entered as abovs^d as voted at sd meeting

p^r— me Jabez Athearn *Town Clr*

March ye 25th AD. 1743 then Jabez Athearn being Chosen to the office of Town Clerk was by ye selectmen sworn to the office & this Record ordered to be made thereof: Entered pr Jabez Athearn

At a Legall Town Meeting assembelled in Tisbury on ye 31st Day of October AD. 1743. Then was chosen Mr Jonathan Lumbert for Moderator of sd Meeting.

at s^{d} Meeting the Question was put whether the Reven^{d} Mr Handcocks Sallery should be Raised in the Next Rate that should be made & it went in ye affermative: Then ye Question was put whether the sum of Eighty Pounds money old Tennour should be raised in sd Town for ye Ministers sallery for ye year past and it went in the affirmative.

At sd Meeting Mr George Manter & Mr Willmot Wass were chosen to Enquire in behalf of ye Town what money is in any mens hands that belongs to the Town and Acc^{t} with such person or persons as have any & to Render an Acct of what they find to the Town to be Disposed off for the Towns use

Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

and also voted that the sum of 12^{ll}–0–0 old Tenour be raised to pay Jabez Athearn for building ye pound who is to maintiane it good for 12 years next Ensueing for y^{t} Consideration The above votes were passed at sd Meeting

and Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Clr*

Tisbury ss: At a Propriators meeting held in sd Tisbury on ye Sixth Day of December AD. 1743.

Then John Allen Esqr was Chosen Moderator in s^{d} Meeting At s^{d} Propriators meeting was Presented a Draft of the Division of three Tracts of Land Lying between the Mill Path that Leads from Tisbury to Edgartown and the heads of the neck viz: Tississa Charles^{s} Neck, Nahomons Neck, Scrubby neck, and ye half of Watsha ye first Division at the head of Tississa; The Second Division at the head of Charles^{s} Neck. ye third Division from the head of Charles^{s} Neck to the East bounds of Tisbury, Each Division into sixteen shares; which Draft being Read & approved of & ordered to be Drawn for in three Distinct Drafts: Pursuant thereto ye first of s^{d} Divisions was Drawed for. (1) And the first Lott came forth to Jethro Athearn. (4) The fourth Lott to Benjamin Manter. (11) The Eleventh Lott to John Manter & Benjamin Manter (14) The Forteenth Lott to Experience Luce (12) The Twelfth Lott to Gershom Cathcart & Jonathan Lumbert. (13) The Thirteenth Lott to the Heirs of Joseph Allen; (8) The Eighth Lott to Joseph Daggett; (15) The fifteenth Lott to John Allen; (16) The sixteenth Lott to Mr Nathanel Hancock;

(9) The Ninth Lott to ye Heirs of John Edy; (10) The Tenth Lott to the Heirs of Joseph Allen (3) The Third Lott to Silvanus Cottle Jacob & Isaac Robinson and the Heirs of Joseph Allen in three Equall parts (6) The Sixth Lott to Samuel Merry or his heirs & Silvanus Cottle in Equall halves; (5) The fifth Lott to Jabez Athearn & Solomon Athearn; (7) The Seventh Lott to Samuel Look & Samuel Colb. (2) The Second Lott to Silvanus Allen & Nortons half share: —

The Lotts in the Second Division Likewise Drawn for. (1 2) The first and Second Lotts came forth to Thomas Walrond. Decending one share & a half from Samuel Manter & half a share from Silvanus Allen; (15) The fifteenth Lott to Mr Josiah Torrey; (13) The Thirteenth to Gershom Cathcart & Jonathan Lumbert; (6) The Sixth Lott to Jethro Athearn; (3) The Third Lott to Experience Luce; (4) The fourth Lott to Benjamin Manter; (7) The Seventh Lott to Joseph Daggett; (16) The Sixteenth Lott to Samuel Cobb & Samuel Merrey or his heirs; (11) The Eleventh Lott to John Allen Esqr; (5 & 12) The fifth and Twelph Lotts to the Heirs of Joseph Allen: (14) The forteenth Lott to Sam^{ll} Look and Silvanus Cottle; (9) The Ninth Lott to Jacob & Isaac Robinson, the Heirs of Joseph Allen & Silvanus Cottle to them by thirds; (8) The Eight Lott to Benjamin Manter and the Nortons half share: (10) The Tenth Lott to Solomon Athearn and Jabez Athearn

The Lotts in the Third Division Likewise Drawn for and (11) the Eleventh Lott in sd Division Came forth to Mr Nathunel Hancock. (5) The fifth Lott to Experience Luce. (2) The Second Lott to Solomon Athearn & Jabez Athearn (1) the first Lott to Benjamin Manter. (15) The fifteenth Lott to Benjamin Manter & Nortons (3) The Third Lott to Jethro Athearn. (6) The Sixth Lott to Joseph Daggett. (16) The Sixteenth Lott to Jonathan Lumbert and Gershon Cathcart. (9 & 7) The Ninth & Seventh Lotts to the Heirs of Joseph Allen. (12) The Twelfth Lott to John Allen Esqr (14) The foreteenth Lott to Samuel Merrey or his heirs and Silvanus Cottle. (13) The Thirteenth Lott to the Heirs of Joseph Allen & Silvanus Cottle and Jacob & Isaac Robinson. (10) The Tenth Lott to Thomas Walrond & Silvanus Allen in Equall halves. (4) The fourth Lott to Thomas Walrond.

The Lands Drawn for by Lott were Divided & Sett of by meets & Bounds in ye aforsaid Divisions by order of the Propriators thereof in the following manner & forme

We the Subscribers to these Presents, are chosen & Authorised by the Propriators of Tisbury To Divid Certain of their comon lands To

wit. Three Peices of Land in Tisbury into three Distinct Divisions and Sixteen Shares or Alottments to Each Division According to the Origanall Settlement of Tisbury and Constant Practice of the Propriators in the Orderly Division of their common Land from time to time which Lands now to be Divided lyes on the South Side of the Mill Path in Tisbury. One Percell between the Mill path & Tississa Neck one at the head of Charls Neck, and one between the Mill Path & Watsha Scrubed Neck & Homons neck as may Appear on Record Refference thereto being had firstly we have Laid out a Way three Rods in Breadth from the way at Tississa brook formerly laid out up to the East Brow of the Woody botton hill and all a Long sd Brow of the Hill Northward to the Mill Path. — Nextly we have laid out five Lotts Begining Southerly at the old Ditch of Tississa: The first Lott is Bounded Southerly by s^d old Ditch Extending Nootherly full Sixteen Rods and Westerly by the Eastward Brow of ye woody bottom & Easterly by the Deep bottom pond or brook & so s^d Lott lyes East & west in length on a Parrellell.

(2) The second lott is bounded Southerly by the first lott & Extendeth full Sixteen Rods Noutherly bounded East & west as the first lott is Running Prrellell Due East on an Equall breadth: (3) The Third Lott is bounded Southerly by the second lott Extending Noutherly full Sixteen Rods bounded East and West as the first Lott is Runing Due East on a Parrellell breadth: (4) The fourth Lott is bounded Southerly by the Third Lott & Extending Noatherly full sixteen Rods Bounded East and West as the first Lott is Running Due East a Parrellell breadth (5) The fifth Lott is bounded Southerly by the fourth lott Extending Noatherly full sixteen Rods bounded East and West as the first Lott is & so Runing Due East on a Parrellell breadth Nextly. we have laid out a way of three Rods broad from the abovsaid way on ye Eastward brow of the Woody Bottom to Run Due East to the Deep Bottom and over the Runn of Water there till it meets with the path formerly laid out a Cross Charles neck. said way is bounded Southerly by the fifth Lott now laid out & Notherly by the Sixth Lott now Laid out: (6) Said Sixth Lott now Laid out is bounded Southerly by this s^d Way & Extending Noatherly full sixteen Rods in breadth bounded Westerly by the afors^d way laid out on the Eastward brow of ye Woody bottom hill & bounded Easterly by the Midle or Center of the Deep bottom according to the Usuall parting of Necks & Runs Parrellell Due east (7) The Seventh Lott is bounded Southerly by the Sixth Lott Extending Noatherly full sixteen Rods bounded East and West as the Sixth Lott is so Runs Parrellel East. (8) The

Eighth Lott is bounded Southerly by the seventh Lott Extending Noatherly sixteen Rods bounded East and West as the Sixth Lott is & so runs Parrellel Due East: (9) The Ninth Lott is bounded Southerly by the Eighth lott Extending Noatherly Sixteen Rods bounded East & west as the Sixth Lott here is, and so Runs Parrellell & Plump Due East: (10) The Tenth Lott is bounded Southwardly by the Ninth Lott here. Extending Noatherly full sixteen Rods bounded East & West as the sixth Lott is & so runs Parrellell a Plump Due East

(11) The Eleventh Lott is bounded southerly by the tenth lott here. Extending noatherly full sixteen Rods bounded East & West as the Sixth Lott is and runs Parrallell Plump Due East: — (12) The Twelfth Lott is bounded southerly by the Eleventh Lott Extending Noatherly full sixteen Pods. Bounded East & West as the Sixth Lott here above is, & so runs Parrellell Plump Due East (13) The Thirteenth Lott is bounded southerly by the Twelfth Lott is Extending Noatherly full Sixteen Rods Bounded East & West Just as ye Sixth Lott is & Runs Parrellell Plump Due East (14) The forteeth Lott is bounded Southerly by the thirteenth Lott Extending Noatherly full Eighteen Rods bounded East & West Just as the Sixth Lott is & Runs Parrellell Plump Due East — (15) The fifteenth Lott is bounded Southerly by the forteenth Lott Extending Noatherly full Eighteen Rods and Bounded East & West Just as the sixth lott is and Runs Parrellell Plump Due East — (16) The Sixteenth and last Lott in this Division is Bounded Southerly by the fifteenth Lott & East & West Just as the sixth Lott here above is: Notherly along by the Mill Path

Secondly: We have Laid out the Undivided Land at Charls Neck as followeth: (1) The first Lott on the East Side below Waldrons: Bounded Easterly by the Midle or Center of Charls neck bottom, as the sd Bottom runs according to the Custome & Practice of Dividing between Neck & Neck from the mill path to Watsha Path & Noatherly by the Mill path Extending from sd Easterly bounds westward by sd Mill path full fifteen Rods and a half Rod & bounded Southerly by Watsha path below Walronds Extending from ye sd Easterly bounds Westerly by sd Watsha Path full Sixteen Rods and a half Rod So then the bounds of sd first Lott Runs Noatherly on a Streight Line till it comes to the aforsd bounds westerly corner of the Mill path — (2) The Second Lott is bounded Easterly by the first Lott, and Noatherly & Southerly Just as the first Lott here is Extending westerly at the Mill path from the Bounds of this first Lott westerly full fifteen Rods and a half. and at Watsha path from the bounds of this first Lott Lott it Extends full Sixteen & a half Rods West-

erly & to ye West bounds of this Second Lott is a Streight Line from the Mill path to Watsha path Compleating the aforsd breadth thro out from end to end & from side to side —

(3) The Third Lott Lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Second Lott here from End to End, and look how the Second Lott here is bounded even Just so this Third lott is bounded in Quantity Measure Demensions Extent and Bounds.

(4) The Fourth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Third Lott from end to end and Look how the Second Lott is here bounded Even just so this fourth Lott is Bounded in Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & Bounds Length & breadth

(5) The Fifth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjorning to the fourth Lott from End to End & Look how the Second Lott here is Bounded. Even just so this fifth Lott is bounded in the Like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & Bounds and Length & breadth.

(6.) The Sixth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the fifth Lott from End to End, and Look how the Second Lott is Bounded, Even just so this sixth Lott is bounded the Like Quntity the same Demensions Extent & Bounds.

(7.) The Seventh Lott Lyes next Westerly adjoining to the sixth Lott from End to End and look how the second lott is Bounded, Even just so this seventh Lott is Bounded in ye Like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & Bounds Length & Breadthe.

(8.) The Eighth Lott is lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the seventh Lott from End to End, and look how the second Lott is Bounded Even just so this Eighth Lott is bounded in the Like Quantity Measure Dementions Extent & Bounds.

(9.) The Ninth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Eighth Lott from End to End and Look how the second Lott is bounded Even just so this Ninth Lott is Bounded from End to End in the like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & Bounds Length & Breadth:

(10) The Tenth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Ninth Lott from End to End and Look how the Second Lott is Bounded, Even just so this Tenth Lott is Bounded from End to End in the Like Quuntity Measure Dementions Extent & Bounds:

(11.) The Eleventh Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Tenth Lott from End to End and Look how the second Lott is bounded, even just so this Eleventh Lott is bounded in the Like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & Bounds & Breadth

(12.) The Twelfth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Eleventh Lott from End to End, and look how the second lott is Bounded, Even just so is this Twelfth Lott Bounded in Like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & Bounds & Breadth.

(13) The Thirteenth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Twelfth lott from End to End and Look how the second Lott is bounded: Even just so this Thirteenth Lott is bounded in ye Like Quantity Measure Extent & bounds Length & breadth

(14) The Forteenth Lott lyes next Westerly adjorning to the Thirteenth Lott from End to End and look how the second Lott is bounded, Even just so this forteenth Lott is Bounded in ye Like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent bounds Length an Breadth: — (15) The Fifteenth Lott Lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the forteenth Lott from End to End and look how the second lott is bounded. Evn Just so is this fifteenth Lott bounded in Quantity Measure Demensions Extent bounds Length & breadth.

(16) The Sixteenth Lott being the Last Lott in this Division lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the fifteenth Lott from End to End bounded Westerly by the Center of the Deep Bottom on ye North by the Mill path on ye South Square off with Tississa laid out path on ye East by the fifteenth Lott. So there is a wattering place Left on Charles neck side in the Square to the Brook and fifteenth Lott Thirdly We have laid out a way three Rods in breadth from the East End of the way formerly laid out a Cross Charles Neck a Cross the heads of the Necks Eastward till it comes to mett with the line at the midle of Watsha this way nowlaid out is bounded Southerly Partly by Soloman Athearns land and Partly by John Butlers Land & Noatherly by the South End of Sixteen lotts now laid out at the head of Hommons Neck Scrubbed neck & Watsha.

Now we begin at the bound tree by Simon Newcombs path first. So then (1.) the first Lott is bounded on the East by the East bounds of Tisbury from sd Tree Down to Watsha, and on the North by the Mill path Extending from the Bound tree westward along the Mill path full Thirteen Rods and bounded southerly by the s^{d} way now laid out across the heads of the Necks and Extending to ye Westward in breadth along s^{d} Way full Thirteen Rods and the Westward bounds of s^{d} first lott Runs upon a Streight line from the Thirteen Rods Extent in breadth on the South to the Thirteen Rods Extent by the Mill Path on the North on an Equall breadth from End to End Streight and Plump. (2) The Second lott lyes to the Westward bounded Easterly by the first Lott all along

from End to End noatherly by the Mill Path full Thirteen Rods & bounded Southerly by S^{d}. Watsha path so Extending Westerly from the first Lott along s^{d}. Path full Thirteen Rods. so the west bounds is upon a Streight Line from the Extent of Thirteen Rods at Watsha Path to the Extent of Thirteen Rods at the Mill path. — (3) The Third lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Second Lott from End to End, and look how the second lott is bounded, Even just so is this Third Lott bounded in like Quantity Measure Demensions Extent & bounds & breadth (4) The fourth lott lyes next Westerly from the Third lott, bounded Easterly by the third Lott from End to End, & Notherly by the Mill path Extending Westerly from the Third lot along sd watsha path full Ten Rods and bounded on the West side on a Streight line from the Extent of Ten Rods at Watsha path to the s^{d} Extent of Ten Rods at the Mill path.

(5) The Fifth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to s^{d}. fourth Lott from End to End Bounded Easterly by the fourth Lott Noatherly by the Mill path & Southerly by Watsha path Bounded full Plump Ten Rods in breadth from End to End and from side to side on a Streight line Noatherly & Southerly as ye Land lyes:

(6) The sixth lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the fifth lott from End to End Bounded Esterly by the fifth Lott Noatherly by the Mill Path & Southerly by Watsha Path Bounded full plump Ten Rods in Breadth from End to End & from side to side on a Streight line Noatherly & Southerly as the Land lyes.

(7) The Seventh Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Sixth Lott from End to End bounded Easterly by the Sixth Lott, Noatherly by the Mill Path Extending Westerly by the mill path full forteen Rods & bounded southerly by sd Watsha path and Extending Westerly from ye Seventh Lott full forteen Rods Rods so then the bounds Runs Noatherly on a Streight line till it Comes to the Extent of the aforsd forteen Rods last Sett off at the Mill path full and Plump length & breadth.

(8) The Eighth Lott lyes next Westerly adjoining to the Seventh Lott from End to End Bounded Easterly by the sd Seventh Lott & Noatherly by the Mill path Extending Westerly by ye Mill Path from the seventh Lott full Twenty three Rods so then the Bounds Runs Noatherly on a Streight line till it comes to the Extent of ye aforsd forteen Rods last sett off at the Mill path.

Thus this Eighth Lott lyes faire and Plump:

(9.) The Ninth Lott The Ninth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Eighth lott from End to End Bounded Easterly by the s^{d} Eighth

Lott. & Noatherly by the Mill Path Extending Westerly by the Mill path from ye Eighth lott full forteen Rods bounded Southerly by s^{d} Watsha path & Extending Westerly by s^{d} Watsha path from the Eighth Lott full Twenty three Rods so then the Bounds Runs Noatherly on a Streight Line till it comes to the Extent of the aforsd forteen Rods Last Sett off at the Mill path. Thus this Ninth Lott Lyes faire and Plump.

(10.) The Tenth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Ninth Lott from End to End Bounded Easterly by the Ninth Lott & Noutherly by the Mill path Extending Westerly by the Mill path from s^{d} Ninth Lott full foteen Rods & bounded Southerly by s^{d} Watsha path & Extending Westerly by sd Watsha path full Twenty four Rods from sd Ninth Lott so then the bounds Runs Noatherly on a Streight line till it comes to the Extent of the aforsd forteen Rods last sett off at the Mill path. Thus this Tenth Lott Lyes faire & Plump.

(11 :) The Eleventh Lott Lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Tenth Lott from End to End bounded Easterly by the s^{d} Tenth Lott & Noatherly by the Mill path Extending Westerly by sd Mill path from the s^{d} Tenth Lott full forteen Rods & Bounded Southerly by sd Watsha path & Extending Westerly by s^{d} Watsha path from s^{d} Tenth Lott full Twenty four Rods, so then the bounds Runs Noatherly on a Streight line till it comes to the Extent of ye aforsd forteen Rods Last seet off at ye Mill Path: Thus this Eleventh Lott Lyes fair & Plump.

(12.) The Twelfth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Eleventh Lott from End to End: and bounded Easterly by the Eleventh Lott & noatherly by the Mill Path Extending Westerly by sd Mill path from the Eleventh Lott full forteen Rods: and bounded Southerly by s^{d} Watsha path. Extending Westerly by s^{d} Watsha path from the Eleventh Lott full Twenty four Rods. so then the bounds Runs Noatherly on a Streight line till it Comes to the Extent of the aforsd forteen Rods sett off at the Mill path. Thus this Twelfth Lott Lyes fair and Plump:

(13 :) The Thirteenth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the Twelfth Lott from End to End. Bounded Easterly by the Twelfth Lott Notherly by the Mill path Extending Westerly by the Mill path from the said Twelfth Lott full forteen Rods. & Bounded Southerly by sd Watsha Path so Extending Westward from sd Twelfth Lott by Said Watsha Path full Twenty Two Rods, so Then Running Noatherly on a Streight Line till it comes to the full Extent of ye afor s^{d} forteen Rods Sett Last off at s^{d} Mill Path. Thus this Thirteenth Lott lyes fair and Plump.

(14 :) The forteenth Lott Lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the s^{d}

Thirteenth Lott from End to End. Bounded Esterly by the Thirteenth Lott & Noatherly by the Mill path Extending Westerly by the Mill path from the s^d^ Thirteenth Lott full forteen Rods & bounded Southerly by sd Watsha Path Extending full Twenty Two Rods Westerly from ye sd Thirteenth Lott so then Runing Noatherly on a Streight Line till it comes to the full Extent of the afors^d^ forteen Rods Sett Last off at s^d^ Mill Path Thus this forteenth Lott Lyes fair & Plump.

(15) The Fifteenth Lott Lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the forteenth Lott from End to End. bounded Easterly by s^d^ Forteenth Lott & Noatherly by the Mill path extending Westerly by the Mill Path from the forteenth Lott full forteen Rods & Bounded Southerly by s^d^ Watsha Path Extending full Twenty four Rods by sd Path Westerly from s^d^ forteenth Lott. so then Runing Noatherly on a Streight Line till it comes to the full Extent of the aforsd forteen Rods Sett Last off att s^d^ Mill Path. Thus this Fifteenth Lott lyes fair and Plump.

(16) The Sixteenth Lott lyes Next Westerly adjoining to the fifteenth Lott from End to End. Bounded Easterly by the fifteenth Lott & Noatherly by the Mill Path Extending Westerly by s^d^ Mill path from the fifteenth Lott to the Midle or center of Charls Neck Bottom. & Bounded Southerly by s^d^ Watsha Path. & so Extending by s^d^ Watsha path Westerly from s^d^ fifteenth Lott till it Comes to the Midle or Center of s^d^ Bottom just as the Bottom Lyes till it Comes up to the Bounds of the Mill path Last sett off: Thus this sixteenth Lott and Last lott in this Division is Plainly & Plumply sett out Bounded.

All These Three severall Divisions herein Deciphered Servayed. Butted & Bounded by Rule were all fully finished and Compleated This Fifteenth Day of May: Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty & Eight. By us the subscribers

Sam^ll^ Athearn
Gershom Cathcart
Thomas Luce

The aforsd Propriators Meeting held on the Sixth Day of Decem^r^: 1743 was adjorned unto the first Tuesday in February next Ensueing ℘ order of s^d^ Meeting Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

As also at the afors^d^ Propriators Meeting.

John Allen Esqr and Gershome Cathcart Gent. Were Chosen and Appointed to see what Common Lands there Remains Undivided & to make Report thereon at the abovs^d^ Adjournment

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

February ye Sixth being the first Tuesday in sd Month then The abovs^d. Meeting was further adjourned unto the Second Tuesday in s^d February at Ten of the Clock in the forenoone

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting Held in Tisbury on the forteenth Day of March AD. 1744 at which s^d Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator — .

Samuel Manter John Cottle & Gershom Cathcart were chosen for selectmen ye Ensueing year

at s^d Meeting Jabez Athearn Chosen for Town Clerk ye Ensueing year at sd Meeting Mr Nathan Chace was Chosen to ye ofice of Constable in s^d. Tisbury for the Insueing year

Mr Thomas Smith & Mr Joseph Foster were Chosen surveyers of High Wayes. At s^d Meeting Mr Abner West & M^r. Jacob Robinson were Chosen to the Office of Tything men in s^d. Tisbury for ye year Ensueing At which s^d. Meeting M^r. Jethro Athearn & Mr David Butler were Chosen to the Office of fence viewers in sd Tisbury for ye year Ensueing. at which s^d Meeting Mr Jacob Robinson was Chosen to the office of Treasurer in the Town of Tisbury for the Ensueing year. Town Clerk being Present was sworn to ye faithfull Discharge of his Duty. By the select men of sd Town. Jethro Athearn & David Butler were sworn by the selectmen to the Discharge of sd Trust of fence vewers. The abovsd Meeting was adjorned unto the 23^d Day of march Ins^t at 3 of Clock in ye after none.

Test Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Eighth Day of October AD. 1744. Then on consideration of the Request of ye Rev^d. Mr Nathanael Hancock Minister of s^d Town for some adition to his Sallery it being Stated at Sixty Pounds old Tenner. Wherefore it is Considered to add thereto the sum of Twenty Pounds in old Tenner for the present year & that ye sd Twenty Pounds to be paid to him by the Last Day of June next Ensueing the abovs^d. being put to vote it Passed in the Affermative

Test & Entered by order of sd Meeting

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Cl^r*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the forteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1745. for the Choice of Town Officers &c Then at s^d. Meeting Jabez Athearn was chosen Moderator.

Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for the Ensueing year. — also Samuel Manter Gershom Cathcart & John Cottle were Chosen for Selectmen in sd Town for the Year Ensuing. At s^{d} Meeting Thomas Luce was Chosen to the office of Constable in s^{d} Town for the year Ensueing & being Present Accepted. Then also Jacob Robinson was Chosen Town Treasurer for the Ensuing year. — Then Benj^{a} Foster & Ezra Athearn was Chosen Surveyers of Highways in s^{d} Town the Ensueing year Then Jethro Athearn & Seth Look were Chosen fence vewers in sd Town the year Ensuing — Then Samuel Gray & Thomas Allen were Chosen to serve in the office of Hogreeves in sd Town for the year Ensuing — Then Gershom Cathcart was Chosen to the Office of Sealer of weights & Measures in s^{d} Town for the Ensueing year.

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 28th Day of March A.D. 1745. Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of s^{d} Meeting Then at s^{d} Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk Then Mr Samuell Manter Mr Gershom Cathcart & Mr John Cottle were Chosen to Serve as Selectmen in s^{d} Town.

Then Thomas Walrond Junr was Chosen to the office of constable in s^{d} Town Mr Gershom Cathcart was Chosen Sealer of Waits & Measures the year Ensueing Mr Jacob Robinson was Chosen Town Treasrer for ye year Ensuing Mr Abner West & Mr Jacob Robinson were Chosen Tything men Mr Thomas Smith & Mr Benja. Foster Chosen surveiors of highwayes Mr Whitten Manter & Mr Sam^{ll} Merrey were Chosen fence veyeers Mr Whitten Manter being Present at s^{d} Meeting & Consenting to Look after & keep the Dores of ye Meeting house & the Sweeping & keeping Clean ye s^{d} Meeting house for the year Ensueing for Thirty shillings old Tenor it was Voted to be raised & paid him out of ye Town Treasury voted that the sum of Twenty Pounds money Old Tenor be Raised by Rate on this Town for the Revd Mr Nathanael Hancock as an adition to his Sallery for ye year Ensueing.

At the abovsd meeting the Case being on Consideration for the Composeing the Manner & Method of keeping a Schoole in sd Town for the Space of three years next Coming, first the Question was put whether there should be a Settled Schoole for three years to Come at the now school house near whitten Mentors & it was voted in the Negative, Then it was put to Vote whether there should be a school kept in s^{d} Town for the s^{d} three years in the manner following. viz seven Months in Each year at the s^{d} school house near Manters, and five months in Each of y^{e}

three years at the School house near Samuel Merreys at Checemme in sd Town, & it passed in the affirmative It was Likewise voted that the present Selectmen do take care & agree wth a suitable person for a School master and Tax the Town the sum agreed for & order the payment thereof at their Discretion.

all the above sd was Entered pr order of s^d^ Meeting

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Then ye abovsd Meeting was adjorned untill the Second Tuesday in Aprill next

Test Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 20th of March AD. 1746 for the Choice of Town officers for the year Ensueing —. Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator During s^d^ Meeting:

Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen to serve in the ofice of Town Clerk in s^d^ Tisbury the Ensueing year.

Then Samuel Manter Gershom Cathcart & John Cottle were Chosen to the office of Selectmen in s^d^ Town the Ensueing year

Then Stephen Look was Chosen to the office of Constable in s^d^ Town the Ensueing year.

Then Elisha West & Benj^a^ Manter Junr were Chosen to Serve in the office of Tything men in s^d^ Town the Ensueing year. Jacob Robinson was Chosen Town Treasurer for the Ensuing year Benj^a^ Foster & Sam^ll^ Lumbert were Chosen Sewveyers of High wayes Whitten Manter & John Lewis were Chosen fence vewers for ye Ensuing year: Abijah Athearn Benj^a^ Lumber Seth Look & Sam^ll^ weeks were Chosen to the office of Hog Reeves in s^d^ Town ye Ensueing year

September the 18th 1746: Wee the Subscribers being the Selectmen of the Towns of Tisbury and Chilmark being Meet in Order to Preambulate and Renew the Bounds between the sd Towns, and Accordingly we Agree to Renew a Rock Lying in the Wash of the Sea on the North side of the Island & a Great Rock Lying at the East End of the Midle Line Comonly known by the Name of the Great Rock & further to a Stake with a heap of Stones Round it at a Place Commonly known by the name of Cases field, and to a black Oake Saplin Marked, at the North side of the Road a Little to the Westward of the House of Mr Eliashib

Adams, All which we find to be the bounds Renewed by the Selectmen Heretofore

BERIAH TILTON SAM^LL BASSETT SILVANUS ALLEN	*Selectmen of Chilmark*	SAMUEL MANTER GERSHOM CATHCART JOHN COTTLE	*Selectmen of Tisbury*

Recorded ye 47th of September 1746 pr Order of sd Selectmen
℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting held at Tisbury on ye 13th Day of October AD 1746. At which s^d Meeting Mr Jonathan Lumbert was Chosen Moderator: Then the Maj^r part of the Interested Present Made Choice of Ensign Gershom Cathcart & Serjant Jacob Robinson for Agents to Represent the Propriators in any Cause Moved or to be Moved for or against the s^d Propriators in any Court of Record in Matters or Causes Relating to their Propriaty in s^d Tisbury. And then the s^d Meeting was adjournd unto 15th Day of s^d Month on one of the Clock afternoone.

Entered pr order of sd Meeting ℘ me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Propriators Clerk*

Then on the 15th of October 1746 the Propriators mett and adjorned untill the first Tuesday in November 1746 & then Chose Mr Benj^a Manter to Joine with ye former two to act with them in any thing Relating to ye affairs in the Notification for the begining of sd Propriators Metting Entered pr me JABEZ ATHEARN *Propriators Clerk*

Memorandum that the Thirteenth Lott as bunded in the within Division was Drawn by and fell unto Jeremiah Whitten of Tisbuary now Deceased And the forteenth Lott in s^d Division according to the bounds thereof was Drawn by and fell unto John Manter Senr of Tisbury Deceased. And the fifteenth & Sixteenth Lotts as they are Sett forth & Discribed in the within Division were Drawn by and fell unto Simon Athearn & Isaac Robinson both of s^d Tisbury Deceased. Entered this Sixth Day of December AD 1746

P^r me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting held in s^d Town of Tisbury on the 22^d Day of March AD 1747 Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting.

also at s^d^ Meeting Jabez Athearn was chosen Town Clerk for the Ensueing year, and was then and there Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of sd Office by the Maj^r^ part of the select men: also at sd Meeting Sam^ll^ Manter Gershom Cathcart & David Butler were Chosen to serve in the office of selectmen & overseer of the poor in s^d^ Tisbury the Ensueing year

at s^d^ Meeting Ezra Athearn was Chosen to the office of Constable in s^d^ Town the Ensueing year:

Then also Ebenezer Allen & John Manter were Chosen Surveyers of highways for the Ensueing year

Then also Barnett Case & Seth Daggett were Chosen Tything men for the Ensueing year Thomas Smith and Thomas Look were Chosen fence vewers for the Ensueing year Abijah Athearn Seth Look & Joseph Merrey were Chosen hogreeves for the Ensueing year

Jacob Robinson Chosen Town Treasurer for the Ensueing year

Voted at the abovs^d^ Meeting it was Considered in Answer to ye Rever Mr Hancocks Reqest Relating to his Sallery that for this year we grant that one hundred and fifty Pounds old Tennor be raised on the Polls & Estates of s^d^ Town and paid him that the Sixty Pounds that was his Stated Sallery being Included in the abovs^d^ Sum

all the abovsd Votes or Acts were Entered by order of s^d^ Meeting

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Barnet Case Tything Sworn Ebenezer Allen Serveyer of highwas Sworn

At a Legall Town Meeting begun & held at Tisbury on the 16th Day of Octobr AD 1747. for to hear and Consider what might be Proper to be Done in Answer to the Reverend Mr Nathanael Hancock minister of s^d^ Town, to his Reguest Relating to his Settled Sallery itt being but Sixty Pound and by the fall of money & Riseing of Goods made his Sallery of but Little value to purchase a Lively hood and whereas Severall Additions had been heretofore made but now at s^d^ Meeting after a Moderator was Chosen viz Mr Gershome Cathcart, after Consideration itt was agreed upon by the Maj^r^ Part of voters Then assembled to put to vote a grant of Ninety Pounds in the old Tennor in Addition to the s^d^ Sixty pounds, which made one hundred and fifty Pounds money of the old Tennor to be raised by way of Rate in s^d^ Town and to be paid to s^d^

Minister for his work in the Ministry for this year being A.D. 1747. and it being put to vote itt passed in the affirmative. that it should be so Done. ℘ Order of s^d Meeting

Entered ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Know all Men by these Presents that I Solomon Athearn of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County In the Province of the Massachusetts Bay Gentleman. Do Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Hepzibah Seabury the wife of Mr Elisha Seabury of the Town of Lebanon in the Collony of Connecticutt my Negro female Slave of about nine year sold Named Gemmer to be by her my s^d. Daughter provided for and to serve her my s^d. Daughter for and During her my said Daughters Naturall Life in the Quallity of a female Slave. In Witness and Confirmation whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand this 26th Day of November Anno Domini 1747.

Recorded in the Records of the Town of Tisbury afors^d. This 26th Day of November A.D. 1747

SOLOMAN ATHEARN

P me JABEZ ATHERN

Town Clerk of s^d. Tisbury.

At a Legall Town Meeting begun & held in Tisbury on the first Day of March AD 1748. for the Choice of Town officers and some others buisness as specified in the warning of sd Meeting and being Mett Proceeded in the first place and Chose Jabez Athearn Moderator. Then Proceeded to the Choice of a Town Clerk. so Jabez Athearn was chosen Then Proceeded and Chose Samuel Manter Gershom Cathcart David Butler to serve in the office of selectmen, Adonijah Luce constable Jacob Robinson Town Treasurer. Mr Thomas Smith and John Manter serveyers of highwayes Silvanus Cottle & Eleazer Luce fence viewers. William West & Benj^a. Lumber Tything men = Isaac Robinson and Jonathan Luce Junr hogreeves. John Cottle & Peter West Chosen for surveyers of Bord Timber Plank and slitt werk and Cullers of shingles. Ordered and voted at sd Meeting that Lieu^t Gershom Cathcart Do Proceed to mend & Repair the Glass windoes and the other Damages that have befallen the meeting house in Tisbury and Lay his Acc^ts before the selectmen of sd Town & be paid out of the Town Treasury.

at s^d. Meeting it is Considered and Voted to Raise by way of Rate the sum of one hundred Pounds old Tenner in Addition to the Sixty Pounds Sallery first settled upon; Enterd .

At a Town meeting warned & held at the Schoole house in s^{d} Tisbury on ye Ninth Day of September AD 1748. Then meett and voted that Jabez Athearn should be Modorator of s^{d} Meeting.

also upon Debate whether there should be a School keept in s^{d} Town the Ensueing year it was put to vote and it went in the affermative.

and Whereas the Question is put whether a Moving School or a Settled School voted for a Moving school in the manner following viz: In the first place to be keept at homeses hole two months begining at the first begining of the school & then at the School hous at Checkemmo for three months, and then at the place Called Kiphigan that is all to the northward & North westward of ye River or Runs of water from Chilmark line to wasksha so on Including Timothy Luces for two months & then at the School house in Tisbury near the meeting house for the space of five months, Always Provided that the Inhabitents of s^{d} homeses hole Provid Entertainment for the scool with houseroome their time, and that the Inhabitants of that part Called Kiphigan Provid Schoolhouse roome for their time & both at their own perticular Cost and at what places Each plese for themselves as they shall agree upon. And if it so happen that Either or both s^{d} places dont attend & Improve their time then for the year Insueing the school to begin and hold five months at Checemmoo & the other Seven months at the school house by the Meeting house in Tisbury And also provided that the whole Town shall have full & free Liberty to Send their Children to any or Either of the s^{d} places for Schooling with out Mollestation, thro out the whole year if they or any of them shall see fitt, All the above & fore going perticulars Relating to the Schoole in s^{d} Tisbury for the Ensueing yeare was voted by the Maj^{r} part and almost whole of s^{d} meeting

Test Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

and whereas a Schoolmaster is Nessesary it is Considered and voted that the select men of s^{d} Tisbury Agree with a Suitable person to keep School for the year Insueing and Tax the Town for the payment therof as they shall think propor the above Read in Meeting and voted to stand good Entred pr order of said Meeting

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk.*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Twenty Third day of March Anno Domini 1749. for the Chuseing Town officers to serve in s^{d} Town for the year Ensueing as also for the Considering and Making

Provision for a Town School for the Teaching & Instructing Children and youth in Reading Writing & Arithatick:

And being Assemble, In the first place: Jabez Athearn was chosen Moderator: Then also Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for the Insueing year. Nextly Samuel Manter Gershom Cathcart & David Butler were Chosen Selectmen & overseers of the Poor in s^{d} Town for the year Ensueing. and at s^{d} Meeting Joseph Merrey was Chosen to the office of Constable for the Ensueing year; & being Present accepted: Capt Samuel Cobb was Chosen Town Treasurer for the Insueing year: Mr Ichabod Allen and Benj^{a} Manter Junr were Chosen surveyers of highwayes for the Insueing year Mr Thomas Smith Shubal Luce & Stephen Look were Chosen fence vewers for the Insueing year: Jacob Robinson & Stephen West were Chosen Tythingmen | fenc vewers sworn. | Voted that there be a school keept in Tisbury the year Ensueing in the severall Places as the Last year and to begin at Homes hole nextly at ye schoole house in Tisbury Town nextly at Kiphigan & Lastly at Cheecemoo Each place their Respective Termes and in the same order as ye Last year: the which was put to vote and passed in the affermative, that the school house at Checemoo may be moved at the Cost and Charge of the People there to such place as they shall think fitt; to be used as heretofore Consented to by a generall vote; and further it was voted that Mr Samuel Draper he keeping schoole in s^{d} Town and Attending at the severall times and places above sett forth shall have paid hime for his services so performed one hundred & fifty pounds in Dollers at fifty shilings a peice to be Accounted at old Tenor Rate or in goods as he shall have need of or in other Money that may be Recond Equivolent, and this to stand good for the Ensueing year and also that the sum of nine pounds old Tenor be allowed the three selectmen that took the valuation for the new Doome the Last summer all which to be Raised by Rate and to be paid in unto the Treasurer of sd Town at or before ye expration of the Last fall month next comeing all Which Orders and Acts at sd Meeting being agreed upon by vote were ordered to Record & Accordingly Entered & Recorded the Day of the Date abovsd

pr me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting Duly Warned and held in Tisbury at the schoolhouse on the 19th Day of October AD. 1749. for the Considering & Providing for the Defence of the Propriators in their Propriety in sd Town and Particularly for the Defence of a suit Commened by the

Rever^{d} Experience Mayhew against Lieu^{t} Gershom Cathcart & Mallatiah Luce for Cutting & Carrying away some Ledge Grass from of a flat Said to be Lying Eastward near Adjoining to a place called Qunsoo in Chilmark which Suit seems to Effect the Interest of s^{d} Propriators &c and being mett Mr Jethro Athearn was Chosen Moderator; Then Proceeded to Chuse agents to appear for sd Propriators and to Plead & Implead the Present sut from Court to Court to finall Judg^{t} & Execution with Power to imploy one or more Attorney or Attorneys to Defend said caus then were Chosen John Allen of Chilmark Esqr & Leu^{t} Gershom Cathcart of Tisbury being put to vote being put to vote by sd Moderator; Entered by order of s^{d} Meeting p^{r} me

Octo^{r} 19th Day 1749.

JABEZ ATHEARN *Propri^{s} Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting Duely Warned and held in Tisbury at the School house in sd Tisbury on the 28th Day of November AD 1749. when & where Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting. and Whereas that the Matter under Consideration to be acted on was the Settling and Running a line between the Divided Land that Lyes scituate, in sd Tisbury within William Peabodys Purchase as Sett forth by a Mille from where a bound tree stood in the valley near papamerks feld, so to run Easterly; and from that miles End to run Southerly to the water that runs out of the valley where Tichpits house Stood in the winter in ye year 1668 — and the undivided Lands lying Next adjoining Noutherly & Easterly; and in order for the regular Doing the Same it was voted that Capt Samuel Cobb Mr Jacob Robinson & Mr Jethro Athearn be a Committee to Proceed Inquiere into Determine Run and Settle the s^{d} Line by bound marks and make Return unto the propriators Clerk of their Doings in Writting under their Hands at or before the Tenth of December next if the weather premitts otherwise as Soon as Conveniently may be: and the sd persons being present Consented & Undertook to Do sd buisness. Entered as a vote & Act of s^{d} Propriators at s^{d} meeting: ℘ me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Propriators Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting Duly warned & held in Tisbury on the 13th Day of December A.D. 1749 and the matter to be Considered was to Chuse suitable men to run the Line of the bounds of an additionall Purchase made by Mr James Allen Esqr & Mr John Edy for the propriators of sd Tisbury Lying Eastward of that purchase made by Mr Peabody &

others and to Divid the same into Sixteen Allotments. At which s^{d} Meeting John Allen Esqr was Chosen Moderator At which s^{d} Meeting it was Considered to Chuse men to Run a line according to sd Additionall purchase to Sever it off from the Land Lying next adjoining noatherly and the persons nominated and put to vote were John Allen Esqr or his son John Allen Mr Gershom Cathcart & Mr Benjamin Lumbert, who are Likewise ordered to notifie all persons that they may not cut nor cary away any wood from off s^{d} purchase or near thereabout untill ye same be done nor then neither without further order: Entered pr order of sd Meeting p. me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Propriators Clerk*

Whereas Francis Lovelace Esqr the Governour of New Yorke Did in the year 1671. viz. On the Eighth Day of July: Grant a Pattent of the Lands therein bounded and Sett forth & Confirmed the Same by the Name of Tisbury unto the then Inhabitants freeholders for a Township who then soon formed themselves into a sociaty & combined to gether to hold the Lands to them their heirs and Assigns in sixteen Shares or as they then Worded it, Sixteen Accomadations Allowing one of sd sixteen Accomadation for Support of the Ministry of the Gospell to be upheld in s^{d} Town as may appear of Record, & the successors of s^{d} freeholders have in all Divisions of Lands in said Tisbury ever since Divided the Lands in s^{d} Tisbury into sixteen Allotments or shares always Allowing one to the Reverend Mr Josiah Torrey and to his heirs to whome the said sixteenth part was Granted as an Inheritance he being the first Minester that settled in sd Tisbury; And for as much as Severall Persons have of Late assumed to Sett up themselves as Lord Propriators in Opposition to the Ancient settled constitution and Continued Practice in said Town to the great Disturbance and Disquietment of sd Town in their Ancient Peacable order:

Now therefore we the subscribers hereunto the Present Propriators and freeholders of all the Common & undivided Lands & Meadows Lying within the Bounds of s^{d} Tisbury as Derived from the ancient Inhabitants being settled in sixteen Shares, are Determined to Assert Maintain uphold and Pursue the settled order Rights & Priviledges to us belonging against all the usurpers Pretenders underminers of the said settled order and Do now Covenant agree & Ingage to and with Each other for the future Even from & ever after the Date of these Presents to stand by Assist & uphold Each other in the cost & charges that shall arise in

or aboat their Rights of Propriaty in s^d^ Commons or undivided Lands or Meadows as aforsaid According to Each Propriators Interest in all causes brought or that may be brought for or against them by any Person or Persons whatsoever Pretending to hold any of the sd Lands or meadows in any other way: In Testimony whereof we the sd Present Propriators Do subscribe hereunto our names and the Interest we now Claime in Common Pursuant to s^d^ sixteen shares as aforesaid; and now begin this Twenty fifth day of January Anno Domini 1750

Nathanael Hancock one sixteenth
Jabez Athearn a Two & Thirtieth in Interest
Silvanus Cottle an half & a Third of a share
Gershom Cathcart a two & Thirtieth
John Allen one three Quarters of a share
John Luce one two & Thirtieth
Joseph Allen & Benj^a^ Allen three fifths of a Two shares & a third of a share
Whitten Manter half a share
Solomon Athearn half a share
George Manter half a share
Benj^a^ Manter half a share
Bays Norton half a share
Joseph Daggett a whole share
Benj^a^ Lumbert half a share
Jethro Athearn one sixteenth
Jacob Robinson half a third
John Merrey half a share
Zephaniah Luce a Quarter of a share
Isaac Robinson half a third of a share

Entered on Record this Third of Aprill AD 1751 pr me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Prop^r^ Clerk*

at a Meeting of ye Propriators on ye 8th of February 1750 voted that the Tract of Land between the Indian Town and homeses hole road be Divided by Gershom Cathcart Jacob Robinson Abijah Athearn & Benja Lumbert & John Allen Junr men Chosen to Divid the same

voted, Entered by order p J: ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Propriators meeting Legally Warned and held in sd Tisbury on the Eighth Day of February A.D. 1750. for the Drawing for

the alotment in a Tract of Land Laid out & Divided into sixteen sheirs; as also for the Reconsidering a vote that was past for the Dividing a Certain Tract of Land in s^{d} Tisbury next adjoining to the Eastward part of the Indian Town or to Chuse men to proceed to Lay it out, at which s^{d}: meeting being Convend. Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator: at which sd Meeting it was agreed upon and voted by the Propriators of s^{d} Land, that whereas that some of the lots as they are Laid out butt themselves against the way in the Division aforsd that those to whome such Shares fall by Draft shall have ye Priviledge of the wood that is now standing in sd way against his Draft

And the Persons that were Appointed & Authorised to Divid the Common Land in Tisbury as bounded out agreeable to a Purchase thereof made by Mr James Allen Esqr Late Deceased for himself and his Associates from Josias the Sachem thereof bearing Date the 31st of January 1671 Did Present at sd Meeting a Draft of their work as followeth vize

Wee the subscribers being chosen and Appointed by the Propriators of the Town of Tisbury in order for the Laying out of a Certain Tract or Parcell of Common Land Lying to the Eastward of the Land allready Layed out being formerly Purchased by Mr James Allen of s^{d} Tisbury Esqr Deseased as may Appear by Deed on Record And we have Proseaded as followeth: We have Layed out a way begining at Homeses hole way and the s^{d} Way is to Run by the South Line untill it meets with the Road that Leads to Edgartown and the sd Road or high way is to be one Rod & a half wide —. And the first Lott is to begin at the Eastermost Brow of the Deep Woody valley hill at a Pine tree with Stones about the same, and the s^{d} Lots are to butt against the old Town Road in part & partly by the highway that is above mentioned:

The first Lott is 100 Rods Westward begining at the sd Pine tree by the old Town Road & at the East End 100 Rods (2^{d}) Lott is to be 50 Rods in Wedth along the Abovesd way & 35 Rods at the East End —

The 3th Lott is 50 Rods in Wedth by s^{d} Road & 35 at the East End

The 4th Lott is 55 Rods in Wedth by s^{d} Road & 32 at the East End

The 5 Lott is 50 Rods in Wedth by s^{d} Road & 31 at the East End

The 6 Lott is 55 Rods in Wedth by sd Road & 32 at the East End

The 7 Lott is 50 Rods in Wedth by sd Road & 31 at the East End

The 8 Lott is 50 Rods in Wedth by sd Road & 31 at the East End

The 9 Lott is 48 Rods in Wedth by sd Road & 30 at the east end

The 10 Lott is 46 Rods in Wedth by sd Road & or high way & 30 at the East End

The 11 Lott is 43 Rods in Wedth by sd Way & 30 at the East End.

The 12 Lott is 46 Rods in Wedth by sd Way & 33 at the East End
The 13 Lott is 54 Rods in Wedth by sd Way & 35 at the East End
The 14 Lott is 58 Rods in Wedth by sd Way & 40 at the East End
The 15 Lott is 57 Rods in Wedth by sd Way & 45 at the East End
The 16 Lott is 155 Rods in Wedth by sd Way & 150 at the East End

The abovsd Allotments was Compleated Laid out and finished by us the subscribers on the 6 Day of February 1750

We the subscribers Demand one shilling & one Penny upon Each Lott for our service for Laying the same out into Allottments

SAMUEL MANTER
JACOB ROBINSON
BENJ^A LUMBERT
BENJ^A MANTER

Entered & Recorded pr order of sd Propriators this 9th Day of February Anno Domini 1750 pr me JABEZ ATHEARN *Propri^ts Clerk*

Memorandum: That on the Eighth Day of February AD 1750 at a Legall Propriators Meeting held at the schoolhouse in Tisbury The Propriators then Present Draw for their Allotments in the Division on the other s^d of this Leaf

And the first Lott Came forth to ye Reverend Mr Nathanel Hancock
The 2^d to Joseph & Benjamin Allen
The 3 to Soloman Athearn and John Merry
The 4 to Jabez Athearn Esqr & the Heirs of Thomas Luce Deceased
The 5 to the Heirs of Joseph Allen Deceased and Samuel Look
The 6 to George & Benjamin Manter
The 7 to Silvanus Cottle & Bays Norton
The 8 to Jethro Athearn
The 9 to Samuel Cobb & Silvanus Allen
The 10 half to John Luce the other half to Zephaniah Luce & the heirs of Shuball Luce Dec^d
The 11 to the heirs of Mr John Edy Dec^d
The 12 to Samuel Manter & Whitten Manter
The 13 to John Allen Esqr & Willmott Wass
The 14 to Joseph Daggett
The 15 to Jacob Robinson silvanus Cottle & Joseph Allen
The 16 to Gershom Cathcart & Benjamin Lumbert

and for the Propriators that were not Present at sd Meeting their Lotts were Drawn out by the hand of John Allen Esqr by order of sd Meeting: Test JABEZ ATHEARN *Prop^r Clerk:* Recorded this 9th Day of February 1750 ℘ me J ATHEARN *Prop^ts Clerk*

These Lines within Written are to Sett forth and shew that there is a Certain Tract or Percell of Land Lying & being in the Township of Tisbury on the East side of the old Mill Brook between the home Lotts and Peabodys Line & Homeses hole & old Town Roads Containing two whole Lotts which may appear by Record now holden in Common by Solomon Athearn and Jacob Robinson & Silvanus Cottle, as may Appear by Records & Other writings and they Concluding to hold no Longer in Common & not agreeing to Divid Have made Choice of Samuel Cobb Benjamin Manter & Benjamin Lumbert to make Division and Partition of the Same according to their Respective Rights and we within Named Samuel Cobb Benjamin Manter & Benjamin Lumbert Have Accordingly Proceeded and Sett off unto the abovsd Soloman Athearn Three Quarters of the Abovsd Tract of Land Lying to the Southward of these Boundarys, viz. Begining at a Ruff Oake tree marked Standing on the South Line on the East side of s^d^ Land & from thence to a Croched bush with Stones about it Standing by the way where the farm Path turns out of Homeses hole way: And next unto him we have Sett off unto Jacob Robinson one Third of the other Quarter from the abovsd Croched bush to Extend Northward by the way about forty five Rods to a Saplin Marked & from thence to a heap of Stones Lying in the South Line on the north side of the farm Path & to Extend Southerly about Twenty six Rods to the above Mentioned Ruff Oake tree. And the Remaining part to the Northward we have Sett off to Silvanus Cottle and so accordingly have finished & Compleated the Division this Eighth Day of February in the year 1750

And we the abovsd Solomon Athern Jacob Robinson, & Silvanus Cottle having viewed the above sd Division & Approve thereof & in Testimony thereof Sett to our hands

Samuel Cobb.
Benjamin Manter
Benj^A^ Lumbert

Jacob Robinson Solomon Athearn Silvanus Cottle

Recorded at their Request ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Capt Samuel Cobb being Chosen Town Treasurer in the Town of Tisbury for ye year 1750 was sworn to the faithfull Discharge of s^d^ Office

℘ me Jabez Athearn

Justice of the Peace

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned and held in s^d^ Tisbury on the 20th Day of March A.D. 1750 for the Choice of Town Offi-

cers to serve in their Severall Respective offices in s^d^ Town for the year Insueing, and being mett Proceeded on Said Buisness and in the first place Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of s^d^ Meeting At which s^d^ Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen to serve in the office of Town Clerk in s^d^ Town for the Insueing year:

Gershem Cathcart David Butler & Benj^a^ Lumbert were Chosen Selectmen for the Insueing year: Ebenezar Allen was Chosen Constable for the Insueing year Benj^a^ Foster Chosen Tything man for the Ensueing year; Jethro Athearn Seth Dagget & Abijah Athearn serveyers of Highways in s^d^ Town, Silvanus Cottle Sam^ll^ Lumbert & Thomas Walrond fence viewers; Sam^ll^ Cobb chosen Town Treasuer Joseph Allen & Eleazer Luce Chosen Hogreeves in s^d^ Town the Insueing year

Entered pr order of s^d^ Meeting ℘ me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

the above Meeting adjornd to the third day of Aprill next and on the s^d^ Third Day of Aprill being in the year 1751: Then upon a Return of ye Constable for the year past that he having sumoned Ebenezer Allen to Attend to sd Choice of a Constable within Six Days after his being Chosen and to Quallifie himself therefor by Taking his oath orderly therefor Refused so to Do, whereupon at sd Adjournment the matter being Certified, ye Meeting Proceeded to make another Choice, and then upon Mature Consideration Choice was made of Barnard Case to serve in the office of Constable in s^d^ Town of Tisbury for the year 1751:

Entered ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr*

the abovsd Meeting Stands further adjorned untill three of the Clock in the afternoone of this Day ye Eleventh Day of Aprill Instant pr order of sd Meeting

Entered pr me J. ATHEARN *Clerk*

Memorandum That on ye Eleventh Day of Aprill AD 1751. Then the oath to the office of Constable was administered to Barnard Case who was Chosen to s^d^ Office for the s^d^ year

℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Jus^t^ Peace*

At a Propriators Meeting Duly Warned and Attended and held at the School house in Tisbury on the Third Day of September AD 1750 for the Consideration of Railing some Moneys upon the Propriators Interested in the Common or undivided Lands & Meadows in s^d^ Town &

more Especially Relating to a Suit at Law Commenced by Mr Experience Mayhew Relating to a Certaine flat of Ledge Lying in Tisbury Pond, on which suit there is a Sum to be paid by s^d^ Propriators as Charges Expended on their behalf and Damages Recovered by sd Mayhew At which s^d^ Meeting Mr Gershom Cathcart was Chosen Moderator

Then the severall Charges being brought in and Exam^d^ in s^d^ Meeting and what was then Allowed to be paid Down by s^d^ Propriators to Defray y^e^ whole Charge and Damages Recovered against them Amouted to the Sum of £132 = 19 = 6 In the old Tenour and there being sixteen shears in s^d^ Propriaty makes £8 = 6 = 3 to a single sheir, and voted at s^d^ Meeting that Each Propriator to a Single Sheir should pay s^d^ sum of £8 = 6 = 3 and so Proportionally for More or Less Right: At which s^d^ Meeting John Allen Esqr & Lieu^t^ Gershom Cathcart were Appointed to gather s^d^ Money and pay the Same where it is Due; voted at s^d^ Propriators Meeting. Entered by order of sd Meeting ꝑ me Jabez Athearn *Cl^r^*

at s^d^ Meeting Lieu^t^ Gershem Cathcart was appointed in behalf of ye afors^d^ Propriators to Lease out to Samuel Athearn a Certain Tract of Meadow viz all the Meadow Lying between the Late opening and to Extend Easterly along the beach to the Narrowest place in the Crick of water that passes thro to Charleses Neck pond Voted at s^d^ Meeting J A *Clerk*

the abovsd Meeting was Adjornd Unto 3^d^, Monday in Sep^t^ Instant Test J Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the Ninth Day of November Anno Domini 1750, for the Considering and voting how Much Lawfull money Shall be Raised by way of Tax in s^d^ Tisbury for the payment of the Sallery to the Rever^d^ Mr Hancock minister of s^d^ Town for this present year s^d^ Sallery being first statted at fifty Pounds when Money stood at 16^s^ pr ounce to which was added the sum of 10^ll^ at the same rate now therefore it is agreed upon at s^d^ Meeting to Raise ye sum of 25^ll^ Lawfull money which is Equall to Sixty Pounds at 16^s^ ꝑr ounce the abovsd put to vote & it passed in the affermitive Entered ꝑ me

Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting Leagally Warned and held in Tisbury on the 21st Day of December AD 1750. To Consider & Determin the Dividing & Laying out Such & So much of the Common & undivided Lands that is to the Eastward of the bounds of the Indian at S^d^ Indian Town

has been Layed out (That is Within the Bounds of s^d^ Tisbury &c And s^d^ Meeting being Regularyly Stated, Chose Jabez Athearn Moderator and then Proceeded, but upon Consideration s^d^ Meeting with all the Matters Relating thereunto was Adjorned unto friday Next at Noone Test Ja: Athearn *Clr* at the aforesd Adjournment being Fryday the 28th of December the Propriator being mett to mannage the afair abovsd It was Considered that the abovsd meeting should be adjorned untill Thursday next at 12 Clock in s^d^ Daytime and s^d^ Meeting was accordingly adjornd ℘r Order of s^d^ Meeting Test Jabez Athearn *Prop^tr^ Clerk*

And on sd Thursday being the third Day of January AD 1750 the abovsd Propriators being Assembled and the Matter of s^d^ Meeting being again Debated upon it was ordered that a Certain Tract of Common Land Lying within the bounds of sd Tisbury and bounded on the westerly Corner by a Rock Marked I. T. being the Corner bounds of the Indian Town as it was bounded out By Otis & Bassett and so to run from s^d^ Rock Noath Easterly as s^d^ Indian Town line Runs untill it Meets with Land Disposed of by s^d^ Propriators to Deacon Jonathan Lumbert Deceased and so to Continue untill it meets with ye Easterly bounds of s^d^ Tisbury and bounded Southeasterly by the great Road that Leads from the Town of Tisbury to Homes^s^ hole so to Contain all the Land between s^d^ Indian Town bounds and s^d^ Homes^s^ hole Road that has not been otherwise Disposed of by s^d^ Propriators as also another Tract of Common Land Lying in the bounds of s^d^ Tisbury Commonly Called the Additionall Purchase as it has of Late been bounded off from ye other Common Land; That is to say that the above s^d^ Two Tracts of Land be Divided into Sixteen Shares in Each Tract, and the above order as above Sett forth was put to a Publick vote at s^d^ Meeting as held by adjournment and it Passed in the affirmative that it Should be so Divided, Test Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

It was further voted that Samuel Manter Benjamin Manter Jacob Robinson & Benj^a^ Lumbert Do proceed & Divid the s^d^ aditionall Purchase into Sixteen Shares as sone as Conveniently may may be Done Entered pr order of sd Meeting

℘ Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

Whereas that At A Propriators Meeting held in Tisbury on ye 21st Day of December Anno Domini 1750 to Consider & Determine the Dividing and Laying out such and so much of the Common and Undivided Lands in s^d^ Tisbury to the Eastward of the bounds of the Indian

Town as s^d^ Indian Town has been Layed out: But the sd Meeting being Adjourned to the Third Day of January then next; and then again Assembled; It was agreed upon & voted by the major Part of the Interested then Present, That a Tract of Common & undivided Land Lying in sd Tisbury & belonging to the Propriators thereof being sixteen whole sheirs. s^d^ Tract bounded on the Westerly Corner by a rock marked I. T. being the Corner bounds of the Indian Town (as it was bounded out by Coll^ll^ Otis & Coll^ll^ Bassett) and so to Run Noath East & by East as the Indian Town Line Runs untill it meets with the Lands Disposed by sd Propriators unto Deacon Jonathan Lumbert Deceased & so Continue on by s^d^ Lumberts Land untill it comes to the Easterly Bounds of s^d^ Tisbury and bounded South Easterly by the Great Road that Leads from the Town of Tisbury to Homeses hole so to Contain all the Lands Lying between s^d^ Indian Town bounds & s^d^ Homeseshole Road that has not been Disposed of by sd Propriators into sixteen sheirs & allotments; And then at an other Propriators Meeting on the Eighth Day of February AD 1750 Wee the subscribers hereunto were Chosen & appointed a Committee to Divid & Lay out the above Discribed Tract of Land into sixteen shares or allotments according to the Constant order of Dividing the undivided Lands in sd Tisbury who being Mett together Proceeded thereon in the following manner and forme —

And first we measured from sd Rock by sd Bounds and found it to be 435 Rods: so then wee Began at the West End of sd Line and Layed out the first Lott 50 Rods in breadth by s^d^ Line to a stake marked, and then to Extend from the afors^d^ Bound Rock on the same course as the Line is between Jabez Athearn & Ebenezer Rogers on an Easterly Course to a black Oake tree marked and thence Easterly by Lands formerly Layed out being 41 Rods in breadth from sd Red oake tree.

2^d^ Lot by sd Line is 33 Rods in breadth to a steake marked & at the Easterly End 40 Rods in breadth s^d^ Lots Lying about East & West from the Indian town Line to sd Road

3^d^ Lot by sd Line is 29 Rods & a $\frac{1}{2}$ in breadth to a stake marked & at the Easterly End 33 Rods in breadth to a Black oake saplin marked

4th Lott by sd Line is 27 Rods in breadth to a stake marked & at the Easterly End 30 Rods in breadth to a stake by the Path

5th Lott is 24 Rods in breadth by s^d^ Line to a Stake marked & at the Easterly End 27 Rods in breadth to a stake marked

6th Lott is 22 Rods in breadth by s^d^ Line & a $\frac{1}{4}$ to a stake marked, and at the Easterly End 24 Rods in breadth to a stake marked.

7th Lott is 19 Rods in breadth & a ½ by sd Line to a stake marked & at the Easterly End 8 Rods from the Corner of ye 6th Lott to a tree marked

8th Lott is 17 Rods and a ¼ in breadth by sd. Line to a stake marked & at the Easterly end 18 Rods ½ in breadth to a stake & stones

9th Lott is 18 Rods in breadth and a ¼ by sd. Line to a stake marked, and at the Easterly End 21 Rods in breadth to a tree marked 9/10

10th Lott is 19 Rods in breadth ⅓ by sd. Line to a Stake marked & at the Easterly End 22 Rods in breadth to a small bush

11th Lot is 20 Rods & ⅓ in breadth by sd. Line to a stake marked & at the Easterly End 23 Rods in breadth to a bush marked

12th Lott is 22 Rods and ⅓ in breadth to sd Line to a stake marked & at the Easterly end 25 Rods in breadth to a Stake

13th Lott is 25 Rods in breadth by sd. Line to a Stake marked & at the Easterly End 28 Rods in breadth to a Small tree marked

14th Lott is 28 Rods in & ½ in breadth by sd Line to a Stake marked & at the Easterly End 32 Rods in breadth to a bush marked

The 15th Lott is 36 Rods in breadth by said Line to a stake marked and at ye Easterly End 40 Rods to a stake marked

The 16 Lott is all the Remainder of sd. Tract of Land and being the Noutherly Eand of itt: & so far finished this 20th Day of february AD 1750. to which Wee subscribe this 22d Day of february 1750.

Gershom Cathcart
Jacob Robinson
Benja. Lumbert
Abijah Athearn
John Allen Junr
} *Committee*

And then at a Propriators meetting

Held in sd Tisbury on the 22 Day of february AD 1750. The severall Lotts of Land in the foregoing Tracts of Land were Drawn for in the Right & by ye hands of the Propriators then Present and the first Lott Came out to Samuel Look and ye heirs of samuel Merrey Deceased in Equall halves

2d Lott to Gershom Cathcart & Benja Lumbert in Equall halves

3 Lott to Samuel Manter & Whitten Manter in Equall halves

4 Lott to Jacob Robinson silvanus Cottle & Joseph Allen Decds Heirs in thirds

5 Lott to Jabez Athearn & Solomon Athearn in Equall halves

6 Lott to John Allen Esqr
7 Lott to ye Revd Nathanael Hancock
8 Lott to Joseph Allen Deceased^{s} heirs
9 Lott to silvanus Allen & Samuel Cobb in Equall halves
10 Lott to the Heirs of John Edy Deceased
11 Lott to Joseph Daggett
12 Lott to Jethro Athearn
13 Lott to George Manter & Benjamin Manter in Equall halves
14 Lott to John Luce and Zephaniah Luce
15 Lott to Joseph Allens Heirs in Equall halves
16 Lott to Silvanus Cottle & the heirs of Thomas Luce Deceased in halves

The whole of the above & foregoing Division was Entered and Recorded by order of the Propriators of sd Tisbury ye 8th Day of October 1751:

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Prop^{ts} Clerk*

These are to Witness that wee the Subscribers hereunto have Covenanted Promised and agree'd with each Other That wee and Each of us will allow an Open Roade Thirty foot wide To come in as it comes from our Meeting house to Jonathan Luces. From Thence Notherly as is and haith been used to Samuell Lumberts From thence as hath been Used on the West Side of two or three Little Ponds to David Butlers From thence Notherly as hath been used to John Cottles, from thence as Streight as may be with Conveniancie to Samuell cottles House so by his House to Extend towards the Northeast as may be best for Conveniancie of Said Roade and as may be Leaste for Dammage on each Mans Land untill it comes to goe thro Saviges Line in the Lane near Bryant Cartrigts in Order for to Accomodate us and Others for passing to Homses hole and to the Town, And that wee will Clear Said Rode of Fence and bars at or before the first Day of May next coming after the Date hereof, As Witness Our hands & Seals this Second Day of August AD: 1751

Signed & Sealed in Presence
of Elisha Lumbert
Shobal Harden

Thomas Smith —— ⊙
Jonathan Luce —— ⊙
Isaac Chase —— ⊙
Bryant Cartwright ⊙
Samuell Weekes — ⊙
David Butler —— ⊙
Ransford Smith — ⊙
Samuel Cottle —— ⊙

the Above agreement Recorded
this 18th Day of August AD: 1772
Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

At a Propriators Meeting Legally Warned and held in Tisbury on the 23d Day of august AD. 1751. for the choice of an Agent or Agents for the Appearing & Proceeding in the behalf of the Propriaters of ye Commons & undivided Lands and Meadows in sd Tisbury & upon the Accompt of sd Propriators Relating to Such Lands in sd Tisbury as has of Late been Layed out into Sixteen Shares, against any Person or Persons that shall Presume to Disturbe or Challenge any such Lands or Meadows Contrary to the sd Propriators Rights or Interests At which sd Meeting John Allen Esqr was Chosen Moderator as also at sd Meeting Jabez Athearn Esqr was Chosen An Agent to Appear and Act & Do in behalf of the abovsd Propriators all things Nessessary Relating to the abovsd Premises & Perticularly to Authorise & Appoint one or more Attorney or Attorneys under him Relating to the abovsd Premises the above Written Choice & betrostment of agency was voted and in acted at sd Meeting by the Majr. Part of the Propriators of sd Interests and the whole of the propriators then Present: Entered ℘ order of sd meeting ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned & held in sd. Tisbury on the Sixth Day of September AD. 1751 then it was Considered to settle upon a sum of Lawfull money to make the Revend Mr Handcocks his Sallery as good as Sixty pounds was in the old Tennor when Silver went at Sixteen shilling ℘ ounce, and it being Considered that Twenty five Pounds Lawfull money would be Equall therefore propose to Raise the same by a Tax to be paid by the first of January next: Voted to stand good for this Present year. viz 1751. Test Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Propriators Meeting Legally Warned and Assembled at the school house in Tisbury on the Ninth Day of October Anno Domini 1751.

hearing and Considering the Proceeding of sd Propriators Agent Looking out for a Lawyer to undertake for them & for Copys of Records Relating to sd Propriators Defence against such as Do or shall mollest & Disturb sd Propriators in their Propriaty Right whether Divided allready or in Common & undivided, and to consider what method to proceed in relating to a Tract of Land Last Divided by sd Propriators which is Challenged by Ebenezer Rogers, and to chuse some person or Persons in order to run the East Line of sd Tisbury if thought Proper

and also to consider & Provid to answer the charge already Expended in the affairs above mentioned

at which sd. meeting John Allen Esqr was chosen Moderator

At a Propriators Meeting Legally Warned and held in Tisbury on the 3d Day of December AD 1751. And the Propriators That then mett being the major Part of sd Propriators considered & voted that the sum of . . . should be raised by way of a Tax on the Propriators according to their Interest in Propriaty for the Defraying the Charge already Expended on ye sd Propriators behalf by their Agent

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned & held at the Schoolhouse in sd Tisbury on the 17th Day of March AD 1752 being the Aniversary meeting for the Chusing Town officers for the Ensueing year: At which sd Meeting Silvanus Cottle was Chosen Moderator. at which sd Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for the Ensueing year: also at sd Meeting David Butler Benja Lumber & Benja Manter were Chosen Selectmen for the Insueing year: at which sd Meeting Ebenezer Allen was Chosen Constable to serve in sd Office for the Ensueing year in sd Tisbury: Samuel Cobb Chosen Town Treasurer: Henry Luce & Silvanus Cottle serveyers of highwayes, Whitten Manter John Lewis & Joseph Allen Chosen hog reeves for Ensueing: Abner West & Benja Foster Tything Men: Jacob Robinson Joseph Merry & Thomas Walrond fence vewers the Ensueing year, all the abovsd Choices voted and by order of sd Meeting

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

And as Relating to the Ordering the school for the future it is agreed upon & voted at the meeting abovsd Which was Warned as well Relating to a school as Townn officers that the abovsd Meeting Shall Stand adjournd untill next Thursday to four a Clock after noone as also Relng to a Constable And then at sd Adjournment, Thomas Allen was Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year, and was on sd Day Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of sd office ℘ Jabez Athearn *Justice of Peace*

And also at sd Adjournment it was Agreed upon & voted that a School be keept in sd Tisbury in the following Order: viz. for the Space of three years years; And to begin first at ye School house near the Meeting house and to Continue there five months, & then to Remove & be keept at Ciphigon Two Months. & then to Remove & be keept a Checemmot three months & then to Remove again & be keept at Homeses hole two Months; Then for the second year to be keept at Homes hole 2 Months

and three Months at Checkemmot, then 2 months at Kiphigon then five months at the schoolhouse; And then on the Third year 3 months at S^{d} School house 2 at Ciphigan 3 at Checkemmot 2 at Homeseshole

Entered ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Cl^{k}*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned & held in sd Tisbury on Tuesday the 3 Day of October AD 1752 for the Considering & Granting a Sum of Money for to pay the Rever^{d} m^{r} Hancock for his Labours in the work of the Ministry for the Present year; then it was voted that the Sum of 25 Pounds Lawfull Money Should be raised by Rate for that Purpose; and the Sum of one pound & ten Shillings Should be raised by Rate to pay other nessessary Town Charges.

Entered ℘ me JA^{E}. ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: at a Legall Propriators Meeting held in s^{d}. Tisbury on the first Day of December AD 1752: Then at s^{d} Meeting by the vote of s^{d} Meeting Jabez Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator & it was Considered that by reason of many of ye Propriators being absent to adjourn s^{d} Meeting. and sd Meeting is and stands adjournd unto fryday Next being the Eighth Day of December Instant at one of ye Clock after Noone on sd Day

Entr^{d} pr Order of sd Meeting ℘ me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Prop^{tr} Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Held in s^{d}. Tisbury on the 16th Day of March Anno Domini 1753. for the Choice of Town officers County Register & County Treasurer: At which s^{d} Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator: then by vote David Butler Benj^{a}. Lumbert & Benj^{a} Manter were Chosen Selectmen for ye Ensueing year: Then by vote Jabez Athearn was chosen Town Clerk to serve for the Ensueing year. and at s^{d} Meeting John Cottle was Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year: Capt. Samuel Cobb chosen Town Treasurer for the Ensueing year Then George Manter Jonathan Luce & Samuel Manter Chosen fence vewers the Ensueing year: John Luce & Seth Daggett Tything men: Noah Look & Joseph merrey Chosen hogreeves: James Athearn & Henry Luce Surveyers of highwayes for the Ensueing year

Entered ℘ order of s^{d} Meeting ℘ me

JA^{Z}. ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss John Cottle of s^d^ Tisbury being Chosen Constable of sd Tisbury for the year 1753 Personally Appearing on ye 23^d^ of March 1753 took the Oath to s^d^ Office as Administered to him on s^d^ Day ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Justice of the Peace in Tisbury*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned and held in s^d^ Tisbury on the Fifth Day of October AD 1753. for the Considering and Granting a Sutable Sum of Money to be Raised upon Polls and Estates in s^d^ Tisbury for Rewarding the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Hancock for his Service in the work of the Ministry in s^d^ Tisbury for the year 1753, and then was Chosen m^r^ Jethro Athearn Moderator, and then upon Consideration it was Voted at s^d^ Meeting that there should be Raised by way of Rate Some Addition to what was Raised Last year so to Compleat his Sallery for this year to be £26 = 13 = 4 —

Entered pr me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At An Anaversary Town Meeting warned to be Held at Tisbury on the Twenty Second Day of March at one of the Clock of sd Day: and then being Assembled Anno Domini 1754: for the Choice of Town officers for the Ensueing year: At which s^d^ Meeting Jabez Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator And at which s^d^ Meeting Jabez Athearn Esqr was Chosen Town Clerk for ye Ensueing year; At which s^d^ Meeting David Butler Benj^a^ Lumbert and Benjamin Manter were Chosen Selectmen for the Ensueing year: At which s^d^ Meeting Mr Elisha West was Chosen to serve in the office of Constable in s^d^ Town of Tisbury for the Ensueing year; Capt Samuel Cobb Chosen Town Treasurer for the Ensueing year: John Luce & Seth Daggett Tything men: Henry Luce & Whitten Manter Chosen Surveyers of Highways for the Ensueing year: Silvanus Cottle Adonijah Luce & Sam^ll^ Weekes Chosen fence viewers for the Ensueing year John Merrey Joseph Merrey & Robert Burges Chosen Hogreeves for the Ensuing year:

The s^d^ Meeting is by order of s^d^ Meeting Adjorned to this Day fortnight at Three a Clock afternoon

Test JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

at which sd Adjournment John Cottle the Constable for the year 1753 Certified that Elisha West who was at ye Anniversary meeting in Tisbury on ye 22 day of March 1754 Chosen Constable in sd Tisbury for sd year That he had Sumoned him s^d^ Elisha to Repair before some Jus-

tice of the Peace in s^d County to have the Oath to s^d office but sd Elisha Refused so to Do. whereupon At s^d Adjournment Abijah Athearn was Chosen who Complyed therewith Entered pr me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Know all Men by these Presents, That Whereas we the Subscribers hereunto viz. Samuel Manter and Silvanus Cottle both of Tisbury in Dukes County Have and Hold Certain Lands in S^d Tisbury Commonly Called the Hill Lotts between which there ought to be a Certain Establisht Bounds or Line, Now therefor have Agreed that the Bounds Between our s^d Lands shall begin at a white Oake Tree Standing in the Corner of a Stone Wall now Standing; Thence the Line to Run Easterly as sd Stone wall now Stands; Thence Easterly on a Straight Line to a Streight Line to a Small Rock with Stones Laid on the Same, Being a Little Sett off Southerly from the Course of sd Stone wall; Thence the Line to Run further Easterly on a Streight Course to a white Oake saplin Standing in a Hedge fence with Stones laid about s^d Saplin, which S^d Saplin Stands a Little further Eastward then s^d Manters Land Extendeth: And the Line & Boundaries above Expressed Shall forever Stand good between us & our Heirs & Assigns And we Order and Agree that the Same be Recorded in the Town Book of Records in sd Tisbury:

In confirmation whereof we have hereunto Sett our Hands and Seals this Eleventh Day of June AD. 1754

In Presence of us
BARNARD CASE DOROTHY CASE

SAM^LL MANTER (SEAL)

SILVANUS COTTLE (SEAL)

Recorded this 14th Day of June AD 1754 ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: That on ye fourth Day of October AD 1754 Then Pursuant to Warning Legally Given there Assembled a Number of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of s^d Tisbury & the order for s^d Meeting being Read the Maj^r Part of s^d Assembly: Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator. and the Ocasion of s^d Meeting was for the Considering & granting a Sum of Money to be Raised by Rate to Reward the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Hancock for his Labours in the work of the Ministry in s^d Town (he being the Settled Minister there) for the year 1754 & then after much Debate the Sum of £26 = 13^s = 4 Lawfull money was

put to vote but the voters then Assemble were Equally Divided that is half for it & the other half against it: then upon further Debate it was put to vote whether y^{e} s^{d} sum should be Raised by Rate, and but 25 pounds be paid to s^{d} Minister for the End aforsd, & the Residue be applyed to the Repairing the Meetinghouse which Stood in great need thereof and the remainder if any Should be to be Applyed to other Nessessary uses in Defraying charges in the s^{d} Town

Recorded by order of s^{d} Meeting ℘ me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Propriators Meeting Legally warned Assembled and held in sd Tisbury on wednesday ye 4th Day of December AD 1754. for the considering & voting for the Running & Ranging the Easterly bounds of the s^{d} Town from bound mark to bound mark as it was formerly surveyed by Coll^{ll} John Otis & Coll^{ll} William Bassett from the Point of Watsha to the North shoar &c

and then was Chosen & Appointed Robert Manter James Athearn & Benj^{a} Allen all of sd Tisbury as a committee on sd Propriators Part to Notifie Joine with & Mannage the Doing thereof with these that Lye next adjoining and to call in such assistance as they shall see needfull for the perfecting of sd work & to do it at the cost & Charge of the Propriators & to Prosecute the Doing thereof as soon as Conveniently may be and further more to have speciall Regard and Observation of sd Otis & Bassetts Survey and also to Sett up marks as Ranges from bound marke to bound marke as aforsd & to make Return of their Doings to sd Propriators Clerk.

voted and Ordered to Record Tes^{t} JA^{Z} ATHEARN *Prop^{ts} Clerk*

Entered upon Record

℘ me JA^{Z} ATHEARN *Prop^{r} Clerk*

Tisbury ss: That on the Twentieth Day of March AD 1755 Then a Annaversary Town Meeting being Legally warned & Held in s^{d} Tisbury for the Choice of Town officers to serve in s^{d} Town for the year following, Then by the Major vote of the persons then Present, was Chosen Jabez Athearn moderator at s^{d} Meeting. and at said meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk to serve in s^{d} Office for the Ensueing year also at s^{d} Meeting Mr David Butler Mr Benjamin Manter & Mr Benja Lumbert were Chosen for Select men & overseers of the Poor in s^{d} Town for the year Ensueing also at s^{d} Meeting Joseph Allen was Chosen to the office of a Constable in sd Town for the Ensueing year also at s^{d}

Meeting Capt Gershom Cathcart was chosen to the ofice of Town Treasuer in the Town of Tisbury for the Ensueing year: also Silvanus Cottle and John Lewis were chosen Tything men for the Ensueing year as also at s^{d} Meeting were chosen Sam^{ll} Manter and Mr Jonathan Luce to serve in the office of surveyors of High ways also Mr Jethro Athearn Joseph Merey & Mr Elijah Look to serve fence viewers the Ensueing year John Merrey Briant Cartwright & Jonathan Hamett Chosen hogreeves

Entered by me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Propriators Meeting Leagally warned and Assembled in sd Tisbury on ye 24th Day of April 1755. for the Considering and voting what may be thought Proper to be Done in order to Assist John Allen Esqr in Payment of a sum of money which Ebenezer Rogers Obtained a Judgment of Court for against him at the Last Superiour Court at Barnstable as may be Layed before sd meeting as also to Receive the Committees Report of what they have done about Running the Line from Bound to bound as was sett by Coll^{ll} Otis & Coll^{ll} Bassett from the Point of Watsha to the wares at the North Shoar & matters not being then Ready s^{d} Meeting for the Ends above Mentioned was Adjourned unto thursday the Eighth Day of May then next at Two of ye Clock afternoon

JABEZ ATHEARN *Propriators Cl^{k}*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned & held in s^{d} Tisbury on Fryday the 22^{d} Day of August AD 1755. to Consider Act and vote what shall be Thought Proper & Needfull Towards Setting up a school in s^{d} Town: — And then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of s^{d} Meeting: — and nextly it was Put to vote whether there Should be a Publick School keept in s^{d} Town for the space of Three years Ensueing & it Passed in the affermitive that it Should be keept; then it was put to vote whether or no the School Should be keept at four seperate Places to wit at ye School house near the Meeting house & at the schoolehouse at Checemmoo, at Kiphigan, and at Homeses hole, & it passed in the affermitive; Then the abovsd Meeting was adjourned unto fryday next to Consider further on the things Relating to a school at which s^{d} Adjournment it was Put to vote whether or no the School in sd Tisbury for the three years Ensueing should be keept at the severall places in s^{d} Town the severall spaces of time & Circulate in the Same Manner as It Did for the space of the three years Last Past and it Passed in the affermitive

Tisbury ss At a Legall Town Meeting warned and held in s^d^ Tibury on ye Second Day of September AD. 1755. to Consider act and Vote some Reasonable Adition to the Present Ministers Sallery in order to make it as good as it was when granted, it then being Sixty Pounds which since is greatly fallen from what it was then and also to Grant the Raiseing Twenty Pounds as Ingaged by ye selectmen to Mr Draper to be paid him as schoolmaster for this Present year.

Then Silvanus Cottle was Chosen Moderator of s^d^ Meeting. At which s^d^ Meeting it was put to vote whether or no that the sallery to be rendered to the Present Minister for his Service in the worke of Ministry in s^d^ Tisbury for this Present year Should be 25 Pounds, & it Passed in the affermitive. Also it was put to vote whether or no the sum of Twenty Pounds be raised by way of Rate to pay Draper for Services Done by him as School Master in s^d^ Town for this Present year in Case he Performs a years service from the time he begun and it Passed in the affermitive

Also at s^d^ Meeting it was Put to Vote whether or no the sum of £6 = 13 = 4^d^ Should be Raised by way of Rate to Defrey the Charges of the selectmen of sd Town for Procuring a Town Stock of Powder and other nesesary, as the Law Directs that Towns be furnished with & it Passed in the affermitive, all the above Perticulars as voted were Entered and Recorded Recorded by order of sd Meeting

℘ me Jae^z^ Athearn *Clerk*

Know all men by these Presents, That Whereas Wee the Subscribers hereunto, viz: Thomas Look, Noah Look, and Job Look, three brothers and all of Tisbury, in Dukes County, being equall owners of a Tract of Land situate lying and being in s'd Tisbury at a place called Kiphigan Lots, and a part of four of them, and adjoining easterly to a highway, and bounded southerly by the Land of Benjamin Allen, westerly by Samuel Gray, and northerly by the Land of Seth Look and Israel Luce, and having agreed and divided the s'd Tract of Land, to each of us his share —— and do now in this instrument sett forth the division by bounds; —— and the first share is to Job, and is to be the breadth on the western end, the full distance from the Lands of Israel Luce to the head of Seth Looks Land —— there, and so from thence on a straight line easterly to the s'd highway. and the second share is Noah. Beginning at s'd highway the whole breadth betwixt s'd Jobs share and sd Allens Land and to extend westerly to an oake saplin markt, standing at the head

of Seth Looks Land, there, thence on a Straight line southerly to Joseph Allens Land and near a Great Rock. So then the third lot is to Thomas Look and contains all the residue and remainder of the first described Tract of Land —— And wee Mutually hereby bind and oblige ourselves and each of our Heirs and Assigns to Stand by and abide this our division —— In testimony whereof we have hereunto sett our hands this 25th Day of November, Anno Domini 1755

THOMAS LOOK
NOAH LOOK
JOB LOOK

In Presencs of
JABEZ ATHEARN
THANKFUL ATHEARN
Entered and recorded ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr*

At a Town Meeting warned to be held in Tisbury on ye 21st Day of January AD 1756 for the Calling a vote to see whether the Congreegation would Joine with the Church to Desire the reverend Pastor to Take a Dismision from his Pastoriall office in sd Town, At which sd Meeting Mr Jethro Athearn was Chosen Moderator; And then it was Proposed to adjourn sd Meeting untill the fourth Day of February next at one of ye Clock afternoone that so the severall agreved bretheren of the Church that have of Late obtained a Seperate Councell against their Reverend Pastor could agree on some articels wherein sd Councell had faulted him, and It is so come to pass that the Town should be certified on the sabath Day next before sd Day adjourned to then sd Meeting to surcease otherwise to stand good to be Attended

℘ order of sd Meeting
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

and now the 4th Day of february is come & there being no agreement as to the above Perticulars Represented; the assembly warned now Proceed. Then it was ordered that a vote Should be Called whether or no Mr Hancock should be Desired to take a Dismission from his Pastorall office in sd Town and it went in the Negative; viz not to Desire sd Pastor to take a Dismission as aforesd Entered p order of sd meeting

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legall Town Meeting Warned and held in s^d^ Tisbury on the Twelfth Day of March AD 1756 Being the Annual March Meeting for the Choice of Town Officers for the year Ensuing, And being Assembled.

At which s^d^ Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator.

at which s^d^ Meeting David Butler Ezra Athearn & Thomas Look were Chosen Select men and overseerer for the Poor for the Ensueing year at which sd Meeting Jabez Athearn Chosen Town Clerk for the Ensueing year Capt Sam^ll^ Cobb & Henry Luce surveyers of highways ye Ensueing year Capt Gershom Cathcart chosen Town Treasurer —

James Athearn Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year

Silvanus Cottle & Joseph Merrey fence vewers

John Luce & John Lewise Tything men, William Rogers Robert Burges & Brian Cartwright Hog Reeves Whitten Manter Chosen to keep & sweep the Meeting house

All the above vots were Recorded ℘r me
JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned and Held in s^d^ Tisbury on ye Twenty Second Day of June AD. 1756 In Order to call a vote whether or no the Major part of the Congregation in sd Tisbury that are Qualified by Law to vote a Dismission of the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Hancock And a vote being Called In the following words viz All you that are of the Mind to Concur with the Advice of the Late venerable Councell & the vote of the Church in the Dismisions of the Reverend Mr Nathanael Hancock, and it Passed in the Affermative To wit that he was Dismist by the vote of the Maj^r^ Part of the voters then Present

Entered by order of sd Meeting
℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Cl^r^*

Tisbury ss That at a Legall Town meeting warned & Assembled on the 27th Day of July Anno Domini 1756. In order for the Resetlemment of the Ministry in s^d^ Town in severall articles as in the warrant for Calling s^d^ Meeting: then it was put to vote for a Moderator & then Silvanus Cottle was Chosen: Then it was put to vote whether the Congreegation would concur with the vote of the Church in their Choice of Ransfords Smith concured & then again whether Silvanus Cottle who was Chosen by the Church to Proceed in the affair of Resettlement of the Ministry in sd Town & it passed in the Negative, Then it was put to vote whether

Jacob Robinson & Thomas Look should Joine with ye Chch but they Refus^{d} Then Sam^{ll} Lumbert & Noah Look were put to vote to Joine with Ransford Smith in the Affair of Resetlment & it Passed In ye affermative

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clr*

Tisbury ss at a Legall Town Meeting Warned & held at s^{d} Tisbury on the 21 Day of September 1756. for the Chusing Some Suitable person to Look out for a Candidate to come upon Tryall whether or no there may be an agreement in sd Tisbury with sd Candidate for his Settling in sd Town and then at first Benj^{a} Lumbert was Chosen Moderator. —

Then Mr Jacob Robinson was Chosen by a Vote of the Town To Joine with the vote of the Church in Looking out for & provid a Candidate to supply the Desk upon Tryall to Settle in the Ministry in s^{d} Town and then Charge thereof to be at the Cost of the Town: Entered on Record ℘ Order of sd Meeting

℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting Legally Warned & Held in sd Tisbury on the 28th Day of September AD. 1756. for the Considering severall things as in the warrant sett forth: as first Relating to Mr Hancocks sallery so far as he has serv'd in s^{d} Town in the work of the Ministry this present year, and at s^{d} Meeting Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator: Then the sd first article was on Consideration & put to vote whether there should be an Additonall sum to make s^{d} Mr Hancock sallery good so far as he has served in the work of the Minestry this year, and it Passed in the affirmitive. 2ly: whether the selectmen Should Provide and agree with a schoolmaster for the year Ensueing & the vote passed in the affermitive;

3ly to consider on Raising some Money for the support of the poor & for Repairing the Pound and a pound keeper & it was voted that five pounds should be Raised by Rate for ye abovsd Uses and that Abijah Athearn be pound keepeer put to vote & it passed in the affirmitive. that s^{d} sum of five pounds & sd Pound keeper should stand good: Entered ℘ order of s^{d} Meeting

℘ Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Dukes County ss: That at a Propriators Meeting Warned and Assembled at the Schoolhouse in said Tisbury on the 28th. Day of September AD 1756 at three of the Clock in the after noon, To Consider & take

some Care of the Propriators Rights in sd Town, And that Whereas the s^d^ Propriators have ever since the Eighth Day of July AD 1671 held the sd Town by the name of Tisbury By a Pattent Granted by Francis Lovelace Governour of New York, under Acknowledgments, Yearly Payable as in sd Pattent sett forth and whereas sundry Persons have of Late years Presumed to sett themselves up Lord Propriators of Lands in s^d^ Tisbury in Defience & Contempt of sd Pattent, and thereby Caused great Disturbance in sd Town both to church & state, and Expense of much Money & Pretious time; and Perticularly to Consider whether or no it may be most Proper to make their Address to the Governour & Councell of sd New York, to take our affairs Into their Consideration and afford us some help; & to Return the Names of the persons that are the Chiefe Caryers on of the Disturbance; and Copys of Records of their Pretended Rights.

and at sd Meeting it was voted that the sd Meeting should stand Adjourned unto the first Teusday of November Next; and sd Meeting was accordingly Adjourned untill sd Time, to three of the Clock in sd Day:

Ja^z^ Athearn *Propriators Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legall Town Meeting warned and held in sd Tisbury on the first Day of November AD 1756. In Order to Consider and Pass a vote for the Reising a sum of Money to Defray some Charges already arisen in sd Town in Looking out for a minister or may arise for the Maintainance of s^d^ minister or to pay sd Minister after Preaching upon Tryall for Liking in case sd minister Does settles or Does not settle in sd Town, Then in the first place Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator

and then after Consideration the sum of fifteen Pounds Lawfull money was proposed to be Raised to answer to the abos^d^ Warrant & what there should be overplus If any be to be Lodged in the Town Treasurey for such Like use & being put to vote It passed in the affermative

Recorded pr order of said meeting

℘ Jabez Athearn *cler*

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting Legally Warned & Held in sd Tisbury on the sixth Day of January AD 1757: Then & There to Act what shall be Thought most Proper in order to the settling the Gospell Ministry in sd Town: and In order to Proceed; Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting. and for as much as the abovsd work has been

already so far Proceeded upon as that there is a yong Gentlman as a Candidate for the Ministry viz Mr John Rand Invitted & has preached in s^{d} Town for some time, and the Maj^{r} part of the Chch Have appointed 3 men as a Committee to Treat with him about further supplying the Pulpit) viz Silvanus Cottle Sam^{ll} Lumbert & Ransford Smith; Then Nextly a Vote was Called whether or no Mr Jethro Athearn & Mr Silvanus Cottle should act with the Chch's Committee in the aforsd affair: & it passed in the affermative.

Then ye abovsd Meeting was Adjourned unto Two of the Clock in the afternoon of Tuesday next then to Receive the Report of sd Committee & further to Act on ye abovsd affair as may then be thought Needfull: Entered ℘ order ℘ me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

And at sd Adjornment being Attended it was Reported by sd Committee that the sd Mr Rand agreed to suply the Pulpett as a Candidate upon further Tryall the Space of three Lords Day^{s} Inclusive with the Last Sabbath past: on the Eleventh Day of January 1757 then Concluded that this meeting be further adjorned untill next monday come seven nights at one of the Clock in the afternoone ℘ order of sd Meeting.

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 24th of January AD 1757 by severall Adjournments as above Expressed to Proceed towards the Settling the Gospell Ministry in s^{d} Town which has ben some time unsettled & whereas this Day at a Church Meeting in sd Town Mr John Rand who has been Invited to preach the Gospell in s^{d} Town as a Candidate for the Ministry a vote passed by the Maj^{r} part of the Male members of Said Chch present at s^{d} Meeting it was agreed upon to present s^{d} Mr John Rand with a Call to take the Charge of a pastor over S^{d} Chch; and now the proceedings of sd Chch being presented to this Town Meeting for their Concurrance with s^{d} vote Then it was put to vote whether or no the Congreegation would Concur with the Chchs vote & it passed in the affermative; also voted by the Town to offer to s^{d} Mr Rand that upon his taking Office of Pastor to Encourage him with ye sum of 750 pound old Tenor for settlement to be paid in 2 years next after his Taking Office & 350 pounds old Tenor sallery ℘ year During his Continuance in the office, and also then was Chosen Mr Jethro Athearn Mr Samuel Lumbert & Capt Gershom Cathcart to wait on s^{d} Mr Rand

with an account of what was Done in the affair & Request his Answer. and further it was voted that the sum of 60 pounds old Tenor Should be paid to the s^d^ Mr Rand for his supplying the pulpit hitherto he Defraying his own charge; & then the sd Meeting was adjourned in all things to be acted upon on this Day unto three a Clock in the afternoon on Wednesday the 26th of s^d^ January Entered pr me

Ja Athearn *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: That at a Town Meeting Lawfully Warned & Held in sd Tisbury on the 16th Day of March AD 1757 being an Anniversary Meeting for the Chusing Town Officers to serve in sd Town the year Ensueing: Then in the first place Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting; Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for the Ensueing year –: Then nextly a vote was Called for the choice of selectmen and it passed by the May^r^ voters that Mr David Butler Mr Thomas Look & Ezra athearn should serve in the office of select men in sd Town the year Ensueing: Nextly Seth Daggett was chosen to the office of Constable in s^d^ Town the year ensueing: then Capt Gershom Cathcart was Chosen Town Treasurer for the ensueing year then Henry Luce & Jabez Manter were chosen survayers of Highways for the ensueing year: then Benj^a^ Lumbert Stephen Luce & Samuel Weeks were chosen fence vewers for the ensueing year: then John Luce & William Coohoon were Chosen Tythingmen Then Joseph Allen & Wiliam Rogers were Chosen Hogreaves

This Agreement made the 17th Day of March Anno Domini 1757. By and Between Samuel Manter & Whitten Manter both of Tisbury; Whereas we own a Lot of Land Lying between Two ways, The way or Road that Leads to Homesehole, & the way that Leads to Jonathan Luces, being to the East side of the Pine Hill; And in the first place We do for Our Selves and for Our Heirs Reserve the sd way for Each of Our uses & Our Heirs to be keept by Barrs or by Gates so far forth as we are Concerned; And we have Divided Part of sd Lot, and the bounds are as followeth, a heap of Stones by sd Homeseshole Road and then to Run streight from sd Heap of Stones to a heap of Stones Lying by abovsd Luces Path or Road; And the sd Samuel Manter has all the Land to the Southward of the abovsd Bounds & his Heirs for Ever, And the abovesd Whitten Manter has all to the northward of sd Bounds, so far Northward untill it meets with the Cross path which is known by the name of

old Stephens Path being to the East End of the Pine Hill; and all the Land to the northward of sd Path Lyes yett undivided:

In Witness hereunto we have Sett our Hands the Day and Year above Mentioned — and With both & Each of Our Consents That this Our Division of the abovsd Premises should be put upon the Town Record.

SAMUEL MANTER
WHITTEN MANTER

Recorded this Sixth Day of April AD. 1757
℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk of sd Tisbury*

Tisbury ss: That at a Legall Town Meeting Assembled & Held in Said Tisbury on the Ninth Day of May AD 1757 In Order to Receive Read & Consider of Mr Rands Answer and (if ned be) to Take into Serious Consideration of What may Then & there appear Proper & needfull for Further Encouragement for his Takeing office in sd Town In Order Therefor for Regular Proceeding; Choice was made of Mr Jethro Athearn for moderator of sd Meeting Then it was put to vote whether or no the following matter be offered to Mr John Rand for his Answer viz: To Mr John Rand sr. This Day at a Town Meeting in Tisbury your Answer was Read with the Additionall Provisall which we think is Rather too hard to Comply with at Present; But on further Consideration we Propose, That if you will settle upon the former Proposall, That after the settlment and Sallery be performed as Enjoined for the Two first years; we Engage to Add Ten pounds old Tenor pr year untill the 54^ll be Compleated so to Continue During your Continuance in the Ministry in s^d Town yearly; And it passed in the Affermative: Dated at s^d Meeting the ninth Day of May AD. 1757. Jethro Athearn Moderator. Then the s^d Meeting was adjourned unto fryday the 20th Day of May Instant at five of the Clock in the afternoone; Entered ℘ order of sd Meeting ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Then on the Twentieth of s^d May AD 1757. Then the s^d Adjournment was Attended and An Answer to the abovesd Invitation was Returned under the hand of the s^d Mr John Rand in the following Words. viz. To the Church & Congreegation in Tisbury Greeting.

Dearly beloved in Our Lord Jesus Christ; with fear and Trembling, I now Declare my acceptance of the Invitation ye gave me to be your Minister — Pray for me that I may have Grace to be faithfull in the great work whereunto I am Called — That I may Render an Account

with Joy & not with Grief — Let us be Looking to the Great Head of the Church, Beging that we may be guided in the way of Truth & Peace and at Last to Glory. —

Your Servant In Christ Jesus

Tisbury May 20th A.D. 1757. JOHN RAND

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting warned to be Held in sd Tisbury on ye 12th Day of August AD 1757: then & there to vote Act and Do what may be Thought Lawfull & Proper in Concurrance with the Church in the Dismission of mr John Rand now Resident in sd Town or any Other Matter or Cause Relating to the ministry in sd Town And being Meet on sd Day: at which sd Meeting Mr Elisha West Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting: then after much Debate on the Cause; It was Put to vote by sd Moderator, In the words following: Viz Tisbury August 12th–1757. All you that are of the Mind to Concur with the Church in this Town in what they have Already done Respecting the Dismision of Mr. John Rand from that Relation he stands in this Church and Town by virtue of a Call he had from Church and Town: Past in the affermative: Elisha West Moderator Recorded by order of sd Meeting

Pr me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Propriators Meeting Warned and Assembled in sd Tisbury on the sd Ninth Day of of September AD 1757. agreeable to the notification at which sd Meeting capt Gershom Cathcart chosen moderator of sd meeting. said meeting was warned to consider Act & vote what may be needfull and Proper in order for the Defence of the Propriators Rights in Common & undivided: Then at sd meeting the Propriators then assembled see cause to adjourn sd Meeting to the third Day of october next at three a Clock in the after noone of sd Day & sd meeting stands

Tisbury ss: That at a Legall Town Meeting held in sd Tisbury on the 17th Day of October AD 1757. to put to vote, whether or no it may be thought Advisable to Raise a sum or sums of Money on Severall Perticulars herein after put to vote

Then in the first place, Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator.

The first Perticular was for the Raising a sum or sums of Money for Defraying Town Charges arisen or ariseing in sd Town; then the sum of fifty Pounds was put to vote for the Payment of Mr Rand for his service

in Preaching Some time before this Day in sd Town & also out of sd sum Some money Should be Paid out thereof to those men that went the Last year in the Balot Service for their Pole Rates in sd Year which was Ordered by the Court to be Remitted to them as also some money to the selectmen for their service Last year in takeing a List of the Doomes &c: as Sett forth in the warrant for sd. Meeting & the vote for sd fifty Pounds as abovsd being Called it Passed in the affermative, Ordered to Record by sd Meeting and so Recorded ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

These Presents witneseth yt we the Subscribers ye selectmen of Tisbury & Chilmark being Mett this 29th of November 1757. in Order to Preambulate & Renew ye bound marks in the Dividing Line between ye sd Towns & have agreed upon a Large flat Rock lying at the north Shoar near in Range where formerly Stood a fence which parted between the Land formerly belonging to Mr Hancock & the Land now in the Improvment of Samuel Gray which sd Rock is now almost Covered with sand & from the sd. Rock unto an Other Rock Commonly Called & known by the name of the great Rock Standing at the East End of the midle Line & from thence to a Stake Standing in Cases field so Called with a heap of Stones laid about it & from thence unto a black Oak Tree or Saplin marked, on the north side of the Path a Little to the westward of the house of Mr. Eliashib Adams: In Witness whereof we have Subscribed our hands

David Butler
Thomas Look
Silvanus Allen
Samuel Meyhew
Ezra Athearn *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Recorded pr Order of sd Selectme
℘ me Jabez Athearn

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting Warned to be held in sd Tisbury on the 20th Day of December Anno Domini 1757. Then & there to Act and Do by votes what may then & there be Thought Most Proper in Order to Look out for and agree with some suitable Person to Preach the Gospel to the Inhabitants of sd Tisbury. and now a meeting being Assembled for that Purpose: and Proceed to the Choice of a Moderator, and then Jabez Athearn was Chosen: Then it was put to vote whether or no this Meeting was of the mind to Proceed to Look out for a Minister or a suitable Person to preach the Gospell to the Inhabitants of this Town & it Passed in the affermative then it was put to vote whether or no Mr

Samuel West should be Invited to come & Preach in this Town & it Passed in the affermative, and that Mr Sam[ll] Lumbert & Mr Jethro Athearn be the Towns Messengers to Invite him & that it Passed in the Affermative, and further it was voted that the abvesd Messengers should have the Liberty to Proceed further in Case sd M[r] West should DisIncline &c & it passed in the affermative and further this Meeting is adjourned untill this Day week which will next Tuesday

Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Clr*

Tisbury ss Whereas that a Town Meeting was Called and Held in sd Tisbury on y[e] 20th Day of December 1757 for the Looking out for a Person to Preach the gospel to the Inhabitants of sd Town they being Destitute thereof and at sd meeting Mr Jethro Athearn and Samuel Lumbert were Chosen to seek out, and they Proceeded upon the advice of sd meeting to Invite one Mr Samuel West who Did not fully Consent but would Consider who afterward made a visit to sd Tisbury after an adjournment of sd meeting which was further adjourned unto the Last Tuesday in January 1757

and then Mett & then the sd Athearn & Lumbert Reported that they had opertunity to Converse with sd M[r] West about the same affair, who signified he should Endevour further to Quallifie himself for Preaching which he hoped with submission to accomplish in about the space of six weeks & signified also that he should Incline as Willingly to Preach at sd Tisbury as any other Place if he should be Desired by a Letter. It is therefore Considered that sd Persons should Proceed further to Invite sd Mr West and not to Proceed any further untill six weekes from this time be Expired waiting for his answer Except it be fully manifested before that that he Does utterly Decline and the sd meeting was further adjourned unto the second Tuesday of March next Entered ℘ me

Jabez Athearn *Clr*

And then on the Day adjourned unto being the on the 27th Day of December 1757 then the Committee as above Proceeded to Invite sd Mr West who DisinClined to attend at Present to the Invitation; yet the Committee were advised at sd Adjournment to Proceed farther to seek for a Minister; and the abovsd Meeting was further adjourned unto the Last Tuesday in January next

Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

To All Unto whom these Presenents Shall Come We the Subscribers hereunto: To wit: Jabez Athearn and Ebenezor Rogers both of Tisbury in Dukes County. send Greeting: Know ye, That whereas there has been a Controversy subsisting for a Long Time between the Parties viz. Jabez Athearn and Ebenezer Rogers about a Line on the North Eastern side of the Land in said Tisbury Commonly Known by the Name of the Kiphigan Lotts, whereof, he The sd Athearn now is the owner of Part of the Eastermost of sd Lotts and next adjoining to s^d^ Lines: To wit; so far as from the south Easterly End thereof and so northwesterly till it Comes to a part of s^d^ Lott now holden by Elisha Crowel: And now for a finall Issue and Agreement between the sd Athearn & Rogers as also for their Heirs and assigns for ever, That whereas there has of Late been a Line Run and bound marks made from a stump or Place where a Stump once was, Called the black Stump, The acknowledged East bounds of sd Lott, and from that Place the s^d^ Line which was Run by the Assistance of Mr Samuel Hunt as a surveyer of Land which s^d^ Line and so bounded and Marks Sett, Was Run on a North Norwest Point & two Degrees Westerly so far till said Line comes to s^d^ Crowells Land; The which Line as sett forth we agree as abvesaid to be the Standing and Everlasting bounds of the Lands Called the Kiphgan Lotts so far as Concerns us, Our Heirs and Assigns:

In Witness whereof Wee the s^d^ Jabez Athearn and Ebenezer Rogers have hereunto sett our Hands and seals, This Twenty second Day of February In the Thirty first year of His Majesty^s^ Reign Annoque Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & fifty Eight: And agree that the Above agreement be committed to the Records of sd Tisbury^s^ Town Book

JABEZ ATHEARN (SEAL)
the Mark
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EBENEZER ROGERS (SEAL)
and seal of

Signed and Sealed
In the Presence
of GERSHOM CATHCART
JAMES ATHEARN

Entered and Recorded the Day and year abvesd ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk of sd Tisbury*

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting Legally warned and held at the Schoolhouse in sd Tisbury on the sixth Day of March AD 1758 being an Anniversary Town Meeting for the Choice of Town officers to serve in sd Town for the Year Ensueing as also to consider of severall Proposals

as shall be made by Mr Nathaniel Hancock of sd Tisbury & to Act and vote thereon, as also to take into Consideration some further Care for the Poor in sd Tisbury.

Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator: Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for ye Ensueing year: Nextly Ezra Athearn Shubel Cottle & Stephen Luce Chosen selectmen & overseers of the Poor for the Ensueing year: Then Benjamin Allen was Nominated and Chosen to serve in the office of Constable in sd Town for the Ensueing year: Then Capt Gershom Cathcart was Chosen Town Treasurer for the Ensueing year: Then Barnet Case & Caleb Rand Junr were Chosen Tything men

Then Deacon silvanus Cottle & John Mayhew were Chosen surveyers of highways Then Whitten Manter Benjamin Merrey & Samuel Weekes were Chosen fence viewers for the Ensueing year: Then Seth Dagget was Chosen surveyer of Bords shingles & other wood or Timber. — then Elijah Look Robert Burges and Adonijah Luce were Chosen Hogreeves for the Ensueing year: Then for asmuch as there be several Poor persons that Stand in need of Reliefe & there being some Money in the Town Treasury, it is voted that the Presen^t^ selectmen may Call for & Receive out of the sd Treasury such & so much of sd money as they see needfull for the support of the poor and apply it that way giving Receipt for the same. so then the above sd meeting was adjourned untill the second Tuesday of march Instant pr order & vote

Entered ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Then at sd Adjournment being on the second Tuesday of March abovsd The Constabl of sd Tisbury viz Seth Daggett Declared he had sumoned:

Memorandum; that at this Adjournment the vote of the Choice of Benjamin Allen for the Constable of sd Tisbury was Reconsidered and for good Causes the Choice Dropt^d^ as by a vote at sd Adjournment:

Then the Meeting Proceeded and Chose Benj^a^ Merrey to serve in the office of Constable in sd Tisbury this year 1758 who being Present accepted:

as to the adjournment as Abovsd now this second Tuesday of march 1758 being come and a Meeting Assembled: and an account from the

Towns messingers Desired to Report what they have meet with since Last Meeting. and then in answer they say that in conversation with sd Mr West at folmouth that he signified his Willingness to Come & Preach in sd Tisbury and under humble submission he Intended to Attend the same in the month of Aprill this year 1758.

At a Legall Town Meeting held in sd Tisbury on the second Tuesday of March 1758 Then it was Proposed to Chuse Agents to appear in the behalf of sd Tisbury in any Cause or Causes that may arise between Mr Nathaniel Hancock of sd Town & the Inhabitants of sd Town, and then Capt Samuel Cobb Deacon Silvanus Cottle & Mr Stephen Look were Chosen Agents as aforsd: Entered pr order of said Meeting

℘ me Jaz Athearn *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Town meeting Regularly Warned and held in sd Tisbury on ye 19th Day of May AD 1758. Then assembled to see by a vote whether or no the Church & Town will Concur to give Mr Samuel West (now a Resident & Preacher of the Gospel in sd Tisbury a Call to Preach here as a Candidate for some time of time upon Tryall & if the above Proposal pass in the affermative Then at sd meeting to make Choice of some Suitable Persons to act as a Committee to Treat with the sd Mr West as to time of Tarrying & Termes & ——————————— Then in order Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting: and then upon Reading of the vote of the Chch in their Call & Invitation of Mr Samuel West to Preach the Gospell in sd Town for some Length of Time as a Candidate on Tryall for Liking. It was put to vote whether or no the Town would Concur with the Chch vote, and it Passed in the Affermative = = then Mr Jethro Athearn & Mr Samuel Lambert who were Chosen the Chch's Committee are also with the Adition of Lieut Benja Manter Chosen to be the Towns Committee to Wait upon & Treat with sd Mr West on the affair abovesd: Entered p me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting Regularly Warned and held in sd Town on the 13th Day of July 1758: In order to Receive from the Committee sent to Treat with Mr Samuel West whether or no he would Preach the Gospell in sd Town for some Times of Time as a Candidate on Likeing, To which the sd Committee Report at sd meeting that sd mr West Comply to Preach four sabbaths sucsissively from this meeting: and at sd

Meeting it was voted that his answer was aproved of and his Pupit performences to be attended, and that soon after the Expiration thereof the Church and Town will acquaint him with their minds further Relating to the affair: and that mr Samuel West be served with a Copy of this Writing: being Put to vote It Passed in the affermitive. Entered pr me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk* —

Tisbury ss: at a Legall Town meeting held in sd Tisbury on the Eighth Day of August AD 1758. And then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator: 2ly the meeting was to see if the Church & Town will Concur or agree to give mr. Samuel West now Preacher of the Gospell in sd Tisbury a Call to Settle in the work of the Ministree in sd Town & if the vote Pass in the afermative then for sd Town to vote some suitable Incoregment: and Whereas a Copy of the Chchs vote of their Choice of sd Samll West as their Pastor was Presented at sd Town Meeting the which being Read, The Town Then Proceeded to Consider, what Incouragement they Could agree upon to ofer to sd Mr West for A Settlment and Sallery in case he should Comply to be the Minister of sd Town, And after much Debate and weighing Matters on all sides at sd Meeting it was Concluded upon to Promise and Ingage in Manner and forme following. vizt that upon his Acceptance, To Render and pay him for the first year after his Acceptance the sum of Ninty Six Pounds Thirteen shillings and four pence & also the Like sum for the second year which is to be Esteemed to Contain his Settlment together with his Sallery for the Two first years, and then for the Remmaining Time that he shall Continue the Minister of sd Town to Render him the sum of Forty Six Pounds $13^{s} = 4^{d}$ yearly & Every year for his Sallery. And upon his Complyance with these Termes the sd Town Concur and agree with the Chc'h in their Choice & Do Likewise Chuse him the said Mr Samuel West to be the sd. Towns Minister. the which was put to vote & it Passed in the Affermative. Then the Town Proceeded & Chose Mr. Jethro Athearn & Lieut Benja Manter as a Committee both for the Church & Town, to waite upon sd Mr West with the Copy of sd Chchs & Towns votes & to Desire him that in some Reasonable time to Give an Answer to the Matters Proposed in sd Votes. By order of sd Meeting Entered

By me JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: Whereas That a Town Metting Held In sd. Tisbury on the Eighth Day of August AD 1758. That then Among Other Things

At s^d^ Meeting Transacted, It was Considered Whether or no The said Town would Concur with the Church in their Choice of Mr Samuel West, who was then a Preacher of the Gospell in s^d^ Town as a Candidate for the Gospel Ministry as their Pastor; Then after much Debate on the Affair, It was Considered What Encuragment Might be reasonable to offer to s^d^ Mr West for His Subsistance If he should Incline to settle in sd Town as their Minister, And then it was Concluded upon & Put to Vote That In Case he would Comply & Take up with the sum of One Hundred Pounds for a settlment & forty six Thiteen shillings & four Pence for His sallery Per Annum: During His Continuance in the Performance of the Gospel Ministry in s^d^ Town; That Then the s^d^ Town Would Concur with the Church in their Choice and Chuse Him sd Samuel West for sd Towns Minister; And Whereas sd Mister West manifested His Noncompliance, But Proposed Some Addition, Which was That in Case the sd Town would Comply That after Two years were Concluded in His Performance of the work; Taking Taking its begining on His Acceptance & Complyance; Then Either to Add to the settlment first offered the use of a Personage by sd Town Provided Sufficient for the Pasturage of Two Cows & one Horse and also wood Land Sufficient to yield him fire wood, During his Continuance in the work of the Ministry in s^d^ Town, Or Otherwise to Add to the s^d^ one Hundred Pounds settlment first offered Thirty Three Pounds six shillings & Eight Pence so makeing the Settlment One Hundred Thirty Three Pounds Six shillings and Eight Pence; and His yearly sallery as above^s^d to be Forty Six Pounds Thirteen shillings and four Pence: And upon sd Mr Samuel Wests Complyance with the Termes above Expressed The Major Part of the voters present at an adjourn of sd Town Meeting held in sd Town on the ninth Day of November AD. 1758 Passed an Act to Performe the above sd Termes in Manner & forme as above sett forth & upon his Manifesting his Complyance herewith the sd Town Doth Concur with the Chch in their Choice & Likewise Call him sd Mr West to be the Minister of sd Town of Tisbury

And further more the above is Offered to him the sd Mr West for his Consideration & Desireing his Answer: Entered pr me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clark*

Tisbury ss. That on the first Day of Sep^tr^ 1758. Then a Town Meeting Warned To be held on sd Day was Attended upon at the school

house in sd Town, To Receive what Answer Mr Samuel West who has been Called by the Church & Town to settle in the work of the Ministry in sd Town and Some Encouragment from sd Town for his settlment & Sallery and having Received his Answer wherein Proposals are offered to the Consideration of sd Meeting vizt whether it be not Highly Expedient and Reasonable That the Town should Provide a Place Suitable and Convenient for the use of the Ministry where there may be accomodations for fire wood and Pasturage &c

and then after Choice was made of a Moderator vizt Jabez Athearn: It was Put to vote whether or no Mr Willmott Wass & Mr Joseph Allen should be Chosen a Committee to search the Records of Dukes County Registers office & the Town of Tisburys book of Records and to take Copys of such Records as shews forth the Disposition of a Share of Land in sd Tisbury supposed to belong to the Ministree and to Lay before the Town of Tisbury Copys of what they find Relating to sd Affair Proposed at a Town meeting & it passed in the Affermative Entered pr order of sd Meeting ℘ me Jaz Athearn *Clerk*

At a Town meeting held in Tisbury on Monday the Eighteenth of September 1758 in order to Receive the Report of the committee that was chosen at the Last Town Meeting in sd Tisbury to search the Records in order to se what Light could be had —— Concerning any Land or Lands belonging to the —— Ministry in sd Town and upon the Committee have laid before sd Meeting sundry Copys of Records Relating to a sixteenth shere of Lands and Accomodations in sd Tisbury and upon the Perusall thereof at sd Meeting: And then Deacon silvanus Cottle was Chosen Moderator, Then upon Consideration it was put to vote in sd Meeting that Capt Samuel Cobb & Mr Willmott Wass should be the Towns Committee or Agent to take Advice on the Records or Papers Produced to sd Meeting or what other Light or Insight they can git, To Comunicate the Same to some Gentmen of the Law for their advice in order for the Recovery of the Ministereall Lands in sd Town of Tisbury: And it Passed by vote of the Majr Part of the voters then Present in the affirmative; Then it was put to vote whether or no the sum of fifty Pounds should be Raised by Tax to Defray the Charges that have or shall arise on sd Town, & it Passed in the Affermative

The Two foregoing votes were Entered ℘ order of sd meeting ℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Nathaniel Hancock, Gershem Cathcart Jethro Athearn Jabez Athearn Ezra Athearn George Manter Abijah Athearn & Solomon Athearn

Entered per me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting Warned to be held in sd Tisbury on the 20th Day of October 1758 for the Consideration whether or no there Should be a School Sett up in sd Tisbury & if a School whether a Moving School or not & if a Moving School then to Consider where to be kept & what Times: in order to Proceed, Jabez Athearn Chosen Moderator: And it is agreed at sd Meeting that the School for the Space of Three years Shall be Stated to be held in sd Tisbury on the west side of the way that Leads noutherly from the House of Mercy Luce and the School House now Standing near the Meeting house in sd Tisbury to be removed & Sett up for the Same use on the west side of sd way near about opposite to a pair of barrs of John Luces near the Dividing Line between sd John Luces Land & the Land of sd Mercy Luce or her family & Princpully for the use of the Inhabitants of sd Town Extending from the Southermost Inhabitants to a Noatherly Line Excluding Ruben Luces & Rowland Luces, and the Rest of the Inhabitants, Northward & Eastward to have a school principully for themselves & the Spaces of Time Each Place are to Enjoy the School Shall be as followeth viz on the southerly Divsion Seven Months in Each year Togeather and five months in the other Division & Each place to provide & Maintain their School house & Provid fire wood for their use, the above written was put to vote & it passed in the affermative

Entered ꝑ me JABEZ ATHEARN

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting attended upon in sd Tisbury on the third Day of November 1758. In Order to Receive & hear an answer from Mr Samuel West who has Preaced the Gospell for some Time as a candidate for the Ministry in sd Town and has been Invited to settle in sd Work in sd Town and an offer made him of a sum of money for a settlement & a yearly Sallery for his subsistance, and Whereas his Answer Implys Proposalls for ferther addition and In Order to a Regular Proceeding. Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator It is therefore Considered and Put to vote to make Return to sd Mr West that as to His Proposals in his Answer we Dont at Present see our way Clear (Relating to our abillity) To comply therewith, but will sustain the same for further

consideration viz untill next Thursday 1 a clock afternoon It passed in the affermative: Then further this Meeting: Is adjourned unto next Thursday one of the Clock afternoon JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Whereas at the above adjournment being y^{e} Last Day of Novenber by Reason of a Funerall at sd Time in the Neighbouring Town but few People Attended, It was Thought fitt to Adjourn sd Meeting to next Thrsday at one of the Clock afternoon being the seventh Day of December 1758:

JA$^{=}$ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Tisbury ss. At a Legall Town Meeting warned to be held in sd Tisbury on y^{e} 20th Day of November AD 1758 At which sd Meeting Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator at which sd Meeting It was Proposed whether or no the School house now Standing near the Meeting house be removed by a Committee and by a Maj^{r} vote it Passed to Adjourn this Meeting untill the Last Thursday in the Month of February next Relating to the School to one a Clock afternoon It is Considered advisable to Adjorn the above Meeting Relative to what the Town Will give Mr Samuel West for his Preaching in sd Town for the Time past to stand adjourned untill the Thursday next Week & then to attend the same and then on sd Next Thursday being the 23 Day of November 1758 Then it was agreed and voted to give sd West y^{e} sum of £9 = 10^{s} — 0 pr Sabbath for 23 Sabbaths in the old Tennor

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr*

Tisbury ss that y^{e} meeting being Attended on sd 7th of sd December and then it was Considered to give m^{r} West a Certain sum of Money for the Time he has supply^{d} the Pulpett in s^{d} Tisbury as a Candidate (to wit) for Twenty three sabbaths Preaching the sum of 9^{ll} = 10^{s} — 0 pr week

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Annaversery Town Meeting warned & held in sd Town on y^{e} first Day of March 1759. Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting: At which sd Anneversary Meeting: All Town officers were Nomenated to be Chosen, and in the first place a Constable was Proposed but for nessessary resions at Present over Lookt then nextly Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk of ye Ensusing year: Then Nextly Ezra Athearn Stephen Luce & Shubel Cottle chosen Selectmen for the Ensueing year: for overseers of the Poor Silvanus Cottle

David Butler & Jacob Robinson Chosen overseers of the Poor the year Ensueing Stephen Look & Joseph Merry Chosen Survayers of Highways for the year Ensueing. Then Mr Jonathan Luce & Mr Benjamin Lumbert were Chosen fence vewers for the year Ensueing: Then Leiv^{t} Benjn Manter & Mr Seth Daggett were Chosen Tythingmen for sd Town the year Ensueing: Then Capt Gershem Cathcart was Chosen Town Tresurer for the Ensueing year: Then Samuel Lumbert Joseph Allen & John Lane were Chosen Hogreeves for the Ensueing year: Then again the Choice of a Constable was Proposed & then Elijah Look was put to vote & it Passed in the Affermative Chosen Constable for the Ensueing year who being Present Accepted Then the sd Meeting Proceeded upon another part of the matters Contained in the warrant for sd Meeting whether the Town will Reconsider what was Done at a Meeting Respecting a School in sd Town on the 20th of October 1758 And it was Then voted that all things then Acted Relating to the School Excepting that a School being Keept for the Space of three years, Should Should be void & the matter again Considered: and then it was put to vote whether or no the School for the Space of three years hence forward Should be Keept 4 months in the part where the School house now Stands near the Meeting house & 3 month in the place Commoly Called Kippigan, 3 months a Checemmoo & 2 months at homeses hole and it Passed in the affermative

Entered by order of sd Meeting
℘ me Jabez Athearn *Clerk.*

Tisbury ss: That at a Town Meeting Regulerly warned to be held in sd Tisbury on the Twenty second Day of March 1759 And then Assembeled. and Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting sd Meeting was Called in the first Place to Receive the Report of sd Towns Committee Appointed to Desire and Receive the answer, of Mr Samuel West a Preacher of ye Gospel in sd Town as a Candidate for the Ministry. To proposals made to him for his settlement and Sallery for Encouragment for his subsistance in sd Work. and then the sd Committee Laid before ye Meeting the following Answer viz: Tisbury March 23^{d} 1759– To the Inhabitants of Tisbury Greeting: Whereas you have been Pleased to give me a call to the sacred Office of the Ministry Tho in my self Unworth & are now Expecting an Answer from me. — These are to Inform you that I am Obliged to you for the Kind Offers which you have made me: That I Have a Tender Regard for your Spirituall & Ever-

lasting wellfare am therefore Willing to serve you as far as God shall Enable me; But Considering the great Aversness my own Parents have Manifested about my settling here together with my own Bodily Infermities which very much unfitt & Indispose me for studiing: for these for these and some other Reasons and some other Reasons I shall be willing if the Town Pleases to be Dismist from the Call which you Gave me yet if Providence should so order it that the Discouragements I now Labour under should be Removed I shall be Ready to settle among you, In case you are not better Provided for, and so wishing that God would Preserve you Faultless & Blameless & fit you for his Heavenly Kingdome I Remain your most Affectionate servant

SAMUEL WEST

Then At s^d^ Meeting It was Proposed to take into Consideration the Discouragements in s^d^ Answer by sd West Proposed, Perticularly as to the willingness or unwillingness to Dismiss Him from the Call that was given him to be sd Towns Minister, and it being Put to vote It Passed in the negative (viz) not to Dismiss Him from said Call; whereby It appears That the Town Do Manifestly Concurr with the Church in their Call of sd West to be their Pastor whereby s^d^ Mr West is become the sd Town of Tisburys Minister, and has a Legall Right to the settlment & Sallery Proposed him in Manner & forme as sett forth upon Record: Entered ℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

Then it was Put to vote whether or no the sum of four shillings per year for the Two years past should be paid out of the Towns Treasury to Mr Whitten Manter for his services in Door keeping & Sweeping the Meeting house in s^d^ Two years: And it passed In the affermative
Entered ℘ me JA^z^ ATHEARN *Clerk* — —

At a Legall Town Meeting warned to be held in Tisbury on ye 24th Day of May 1759 at three of ye Clock afternoon and then Attended In Order to see whether the s^d^ Town would Concur with the Church in their Choice of mr Zachariah Mayhew of Chilmark for their minister: and then was Chosen Shubel Cottle moderator of sd Meeting: at said Meeting a vote being Called the Major part then assembled voted a Concurrance:

Entered pr me JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr*

At a Legal Town Meeting warned to be held in Tisbury on Thursday ye fifth Day of July 1759 (and then Attended) To see whether or no the Town will Chuse a Committee to Treat with Mr William Whitwill now

Resident at Mr Zachariah Mayhews at Chilmark to see whether sd Mr Whitwill will supply the Pulpit in sd Tisbury in Preaching the Gospel to sd Inhabitants for some time & to agree with him for some suitable Encouragment for his Labour

Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator

Then it was put to vote whether or no Mr Jacob Robinson & Mr Elijah Look should be the sd Towns Committee to Enquire of Mr Whitwill would suply the Pulpit as a Preacher of the Gospell on the Lords Days in sd Tisbury so Long as untill further order from sd Town, And it passed in the Affermative that they should

Entered ℘ order of sd Meeting

℘ Jaz. Athearn *Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting warned to be held in Tisbury on ye 12th Day of July 1759 to Receive an Answer from Mr Zachariah Mayhew of Chilmark to a Call made Him by the Church & Congregation in sd Tisbury to be the Chch: & Towns Minister and then Assembled: Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator Then the Answer of Mr Zachariah Mayhew being Read in sd meeting which was in the Negative viz his non Acceptance:

Then was an account Certified at sd Town Meeting that on this Present Day the Chch: in sd Town had Proceeded to make Choice of three men of sd Chch viz Mr Jonathan Luce, Mr Jacob Robinson & Mr Ezra Athearn to be a standing Committee for sd Chch to Proceed & to seek out and use their best Endevour to Procure a suitable Person to be the Chchs Minister & Proposed their Choice to the Town at sd Meeting whether or no they would Concur with the Chch in their Choice, & Chuse ye sd Persons to be the Towns Committee to seek for a Candidate for ye ministry on the Towns behalf: and it Passed in the affermative so sd Chch & Town Mutually Joined in the Proposed Affair

Entered on Record pr order: Jabez Athearn *Clr*

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting Warned to be held in sd Tisbury on ye 18th Day of September AD 1759 for the Considering several Things Relating to the Calling of Mr William Whitwill Junr to be sd Towns Minister and the voters then assembled made choice of David Butler Moderator of sd meeting:

Then first the answer to a Call already made being Read it was in the negative untill he had the advice of his father at Boston, 2ly: it was

Proposed at sd Meeting to be Considered what the Town would give sd Whitwill for his service in Preaching in sd Town some time past & being put to it passed to Render him nine pounds & ten shillings old Tenor for each sabbath he had Preacht in sd Town: Then it was put to vote whether the Town would give Mr Whitwell a Call to the work of the ministry in sd Town & it Passed in the affermative: Then it was Put to the Consideration of sd Meeting what the Town would vote to give ye sd Mr Whitwell as an Incouragment for a settlement & what for a Sallery Annually During his work in the Gospell Ministry in sd Tisbury, and after much Debate the following Proposals were put to vote and were confirmed by the maj^r part of the voters then Present & that a Copy thereof should Presented to the s^d m^r Whitwell by sd Towns Committee Requesting his answer whether he would accept of the s^d Towns Call upon the Encouragment Offered or no: within the space of six weeks from y^e Date hereof And first as to his settelment to Provid at sd Towns Cost within three years after his Taking the office of a Gospell Minister in s^d Town a house and Land Conveniently scituated for a habitation of the Minister of sd Town that shall be judged by Indifferent men to be worth £266 = 13 = 4 and in Case y^e sd Town should faile of the Performance there of then to Render him the sum of £160 = 0^s = 0^d and a yearly sallery of £46 = 7 = 8: The abovsd house & Land (if Provided) to be for his use as a Parsonage During his Continuance in the work of the Ministry in sd Town JABEZ ATHEARN *Clerk*

At a Town meeting held in Tisbury on the fifth Day of october 1759. then David butler was Chosen Moderator, Then it was Proposed at s^d Meeting to Consider what Money was needfull to be Raised to Defray the Charges arisen on sd Town; then it was put to vote whether the sum of one hundred Pounds should be Raised by Rate or Tax to Defrey the Charges of sd Town this Present year, and it Passed in the Affirmative; Then it was put to vote whether the sum of nine pounds Ten Shillings Old Tenor pr Week for the Space of Eight Weeks or Eight Sabbath Dayes Mr Samuel West preacht in s^d Tisbury and to be paid to Him s^d West & to be Drawn out of the s^d Towns Treasury viz being part of s^d Hundred Pounds: and it Passed in the Affermative:

At a Town Meeting held in Tisbury on the 23^d Day of October 1759 Then it was voted that Willmot Wass should have 12^s out of the Town Treasury of s^d Tisbury for sevice he had Done for sd Town: Entered pr me JA^z ATHEARN *Clerk*

At a Town Meeting Held in Tisbury on ye 30th Day of November 1759 Then mr Benjamin Allen was Chosen Moderator (Then it was put to vote whether or no Samuel Lumbert & Ransford Smith should be a Committee to seek out for a minister for sd Tisbury & to be a standing Committee untill the Town be Supplyed with a minister passed in Affermative then it was put to vote whether or no the Committee Shall apply to Mr Samuel West to obtain him & it Could not be Descided by vote.) and that the Committees Reasonable Charge of sd Committe be paid out of s^{d} Towns Trasury. affermative

Entered pr Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

At a Town Meeting Held in Tisbury on ye 30th Day of November 1759. Then among other things that were proposed to be Considered it was Considered & put to vote that whereas there was money Granted to be Raised & Lodged in the Town Treasury to Defrey Town Charges; what Charges should be allowed to be paid out of s^{d} Money and then at s^{d} Meeting Samuel Cobb brought in an Account of £4 = 4^{s} = 2^{d} for his Charges as an Agent for sd Town in a Case Commenced against s^{d} Town by mr Nathanel Hancock which was Allowed to be paid

Then Silvanus Cottle as an Agent with sd Cobb brought in an Account of his Charges to the sum of £1 = $\overset{s}{0}$ = $\overset{d}{2}$ = 2 which was also Allowed to be paid: out of s^{d} Money Raised

Allowed to Samuel Manter 8^{s} Lawfull money for Keeping mr Whitwell & his Horse 7 sabbaths

Entered pr me Jabez Athearn *Cl^{k}*

Tisbury ss At an aniversery Town Meeting held in sd Tisbury on the first Day of march AD 1760 Then David Butler was Chosen Moderator of sd Meeting Then were Chosen for Selectmen Stephen Luce Shubael Cottle & James Athearn Jabez Athearn Town Clerk Isaac Chace Chosen Constable Jethro Athearn & George Manter overseers of the Poor Capt Samuel Cobb & Samuel Lumbert Surveyers of Highways Jonathan Manter & Thomas Look Tything men

Benj^{a} Manter Jonathan Luce & Jacob Robinson fence viewers

Town Treasurer to be Capt Gershom Cathcart the abovsd Meeting Adjourned untill next fryday Come seven nights for the Considering further whether ye Constable Chosen will accept or no

Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Then on fryday as adjourned

To being ye 14th Day of sd March ye Meeting again assembled & whereas the abovsd Isaac Chace being Absent & not warned to Attend the office of Constable & the Time of Warning being Elapsed, The meeting on Consideration Passed their vote of choice of sd Chace for sd Towns Constable for the Ensueing year, & Likewise adjourned sd meeting further to a fortnight hence to 3 of ye Clock afternoon on sd Day to know whether sd Chace would serve or no pr order of sd Meeting

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr.*

The abovesd meeting as above Adjourned being attended on then the abovsd Isaak Chase being Notified by the s^d Elijah Look the standing Constable of his being chosen the Constable

The Constable of sd Tisbury for ye year 1760, by Leaving a Noticattion thereof in Writing under his hand with his wife & family at his Dwelling House (he not then to be found) and Charging his wife & family to give it him sd Chase but have had no account from him of his acceptance or Refusall to serve

Then the meeting further Adjourned to the first Tuesday in may next

JABEZ ATHEARN *Clr*

Then on the s^d first Tuesday in May being the sixth Day then a few meett and Adjourned sd Meeting to fryday next to be held at the Meeting house in Tisbury at four of the Clock afternoon

JA^Z ATHEARN *Clr*

At a Legall Town Meeting Warned to be Held in Tisbury on the ninth Day of May 1760 and then Attended in Order to Proceed to have the Ministry of the Gospel Resettled in sd Tisbury; then first David Butler chosen Moderator

Then it was Proposed to Chuse an Adition to a former committee to take the Care for the Resettling thereof then was Chosen Jacob Robinson & Benjamin Allen to Joine the former Committee viz Samuel Lumbert & Ransford Smith

Tisbury ss: At a Legall Town Meeting warned to be held in s^d Tisbury on the sixteenth Day of June anno Domini 1760, and then Assembled: Then

firstly David Butler was Chosen Moderator of s^d^ Meeting: S^d^ Meeting being Called to Consider & Do many things as s^d^ Meeting Should See needfull & Proper that are Mentioned in the warrant for sd Meeting Touching and Concerning the settling Mr George Daman in the office a Regular Gospell Minister in s^d^ Town: And these being Presented to sd Meeting a vote of the Chchs Call & Choice of Mr George Daman to the Pastorial office in s^d^ Chch: and on Consideration of sd vote as being Presented for Concurance a vote being Called thereon. It Passed in the affermative viz, Concured and Lik wise Chosen for the Towns minister Then it was Consideied what Encouragement should be offered him for his Complyance with sd Choice, and it was put to vote whether or no the sum of four hundred Pounds old Tenor a year Should be Raised in sd Town for & paid him During his Continuance in the work of the Ministry in sd Town as a salery and also one Thousand Pounds in the Old Tenor for his settement to be paid in ye space of Three years next after his acceptence of the work of the Ministry in sd Town & to be paid by a Third in Each of sd 3 year and It Passed in the affermative; Then a vote was Called whether or no the sum of Ten pounds a Week should be paid to sd Mr George Daman for his Supplying the Pulpit since his Invitation to Preach in s^d^ Town & further Continuance to Preach untill Settled or Dismist & it Passed in the affermative and Ordered that Mr Samuel Lumbert a Mr Jacob Robinson should wait upon and Present a Copy of these votes to s^d^ Mr Daman Requesting an Answer in Some Reasonable time Recorded by order of s^d^ Meeting by me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At a Town Meeting Lawfully Warned and Held in Tisbury on Wednesday the 30th Day of July anno Domini 1760 For the Receiving Hearing and Considering what Answer the Rever'd George Daman Should make to proposalls made by s^d^ Town & Chch therein for his Settling in the work of Gospell Ministry in s^d^ Town, as On Record on the sixteenth Day of June anno Domini 1760 and offered to Him Requesting His Answer whether Affermative or Negative; The which was then at s^d^ meeting Received & Publickly Read & Proved to be in the Affirmative (viz) His Acceptance And then Voted to be Recorded, which is now Done And is in the following forme: — :

To the Church and Town of Tisbury Greeting: Hon^d^ & Beloved, You are not (Doubtless) Insensable that not long since you Invited me to Take the Pastoral Charge of Christs flock in this place: —. Accordingly I have

taken Matter In to the Most Serious Prayerfull Consideration: Have asked Counsell of God, And have not Neglected to take the Advice of my Parents and Christian friends = —. And from Eying the Stand of Providence in the Extraordinary Unanimity of this People, After so long a Time spent without Having the Gospell Ordinances Regularly Administered; Althô I Look upon my self a Person UnEquall & Unworthy of such an office; yet have I been lead to Think that it is the Mind & Will of Christ the Great Head of the Church That I Take the Pastoral Charge of this His flock; From this Consideration Alone (and not for the sake of Filthy Lucer) Do I feele my Mind Disposed to Comply. — And Accordingly Do now Accept of the Call of this Church & Town To be Their Minister —: And Promise by Divine Assistance to Devote my self to the work of the Ministry in this Place; And to Labour among you in word and Doctrine —. And as I Depende upon you under Providence for my support I Expect you will make such Additions from Time to Time as I shall stand in need off. — Desire your Earnest Prayers & Supplycations to the God of all Grace for me, That I may be a Faithfull Minister of Jesus Christ, That I may Rightly Divid the word of Truth to this People, And be the Instrument of Turning many to Righteousness —. & Oh That we may all so Live Together Here that we may Meet in Zion above & Shine as the brightness of the Fermament & as the Stars for Ever & Ever:

I: now Subscribe my self your very Unworth Pastor George Daman

Tisbury July the 30th 1760.

Entered upon Record the 31st of July AD: 1760 ℘ me

Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss That at a Legall Town Meeting warned & Held in sd Tisbury on the 19th Day of August 1760 Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Moderator: — Then In Order to Provid for the Ordaination of Mr George Daman, he being Chosen by the Chch & Town for their Minister: And after much Debate It was Concluded & put to vote whether or no the sd Town would Grant that the sum of Five Pounds six shillings & Eight pence should be allowed out of the Town Treasury to Capt Samuel Cobb of Tisbury for his service & Expences in Entertaining & Providing for such as should be called & Imployed in the Ordaining sd Mr Daman During their Attendance on the same & it Passed in the Affermative: and sd Cobb being Present Ingaged to Performe the sd services untill they were Dismist.

and further it was Put to vote whether or no the sd Town should pay

the ferriage of four ministers & their Delegates as should come from the maine to perform sd Ordination & it Passed in ye Affermative: Entered pr order of sd meeting pr me

JABEZ ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Town Meeting warned to be held in s^d Tisbury on the 26th Day of August 1760. and then Assembled & Lieutenant Benjamin Manter was Chosen Moderator. s^d Meeting was called together To Consult whether or no the Town would Purchase an Accomodation of Lands & buildings for a Parsonage in s^d Town to Assist the Maintainance of a Minister which Capt Samuel Colb had to sett at the value of Two Thousand Pounds Price as by Him Estimatted: And Principally for the Present use of Mr George Daman: And then were Chosen Mr John Cottle Mr Benjamin Allen & Mr Thomas Look to act as Agents for s^d Town to Treat with s^d Cobb upon that account & to Lay before the Town at a Town meeting how far they Proceed & to Have the Towns Approbation of what they have done or Disprobation

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting warned to be held at sd Tisbury on the second Day of September 1760 and then assembled, Then David Butler was Chosen moderator: sd meeting was Notified for the Consideration of severall things Relating to ye Buying a Parsonage & Mr Damans Relinquishing the sum of one Thousand Pounds settlement: And then Proceeded thereon as (1)^ly It was Put to vote whether or no the Town of Tisbury will Purchase of Capt Samuel Cobb what Land Meadow & buildings he said Cobb bought of Silvanus Cottle lying on the West side of the old Mill River in s^d Tisbury s^d Cobb Reserving to Himself & His Heirs & assigns the Previledge of Flowing for the mill as At Present & Likewise to Purchase Two Thirds of all the severall Divisions of Wood Lotts on the Eastside of s^d River which s^d Cobb bought of sd Cottle; All the abovsd Land & Buildings to be & Remain for a Parsonage, or for the use of the ministry During Time in sd Town of Tisbury and it Passed in the affermative: — (2) It was Put to vote whether or no the Town will Purchase One Thousand of sedar Rails & what Oake Posts may be nessesary to sett the same up to Enclose the abovsd Land on the West side of the River with in the Terme of one year from this Date & it Passed in the Affermative.

(3)^ly: To Put to vote whether or no the Town would shingle the Rest of the Barn one of the Buildings, within the space of One year from

this Date & to put what Glass is wanting into the windows & to keep the wooden work of the Dwelling House in Repair. and it Passed in the affermative.—. (4ly) If the sd Town sees it fitt at sd meeting to Plaister the front Rooms over head & to Plaster the Kitchen then to vote the same to be Done, and it Passed In the Affermative: (5ly) To Put to vote whether or no the Town will Reconsider what has been Already Granted to Mr George Daman, For a settlment he Taking office in sd Town in the Gospell mintry and it Passed in the Affermative, He giving a Discharge therefrom:

(6ly) at sd meeting to appoint a Committee to Take security for the Land & Buildings & to give security for the money Therefor In behalf of the Town & it Passed in the affermative. and Lastly at sd meeting the Present selectmen. viz. James Athearn Shubel Cottle & Stephen Luce were Chosen & appointed to Take & give security as abovesd & also to Take the Care & see yt all the abovsd articles Relating fencing & Buildings be seasonably Done & Performed. all the abovsd votes & acts passed on the second Day of september 1760: Recorded by order of sd meeting per me Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk.*

Tisbury ss: At a Town Meeting warned to be held in sd Tisbury on the 3d Day of November 1760 then Assembled; and first Jabez Athearn was Chosen moderator: sd meeting was Called and (1) to Consider & grant a sum of money to be Raised by Tax to Defrey the Town of Tisburys Charges all Ready, as shall appear Due, & Payable or that may arise Due for the Currant year (2) to Chuse a Committee to Examin the Town Treasurer Accounts (3) to Chuse a Committee to Provide Materialls and see the Parsonage in sd Tisbury Put in order according to the sd Towns former vote 1760

2. Benja Lumbert & Stephen Luce Chosen a Committee to Examin the Town Treasuers accts

3. Benja Manter Benja Allen & stephen Luce Chosen a Committee to Provide materialls & to see that the Personage in sd Tisbury be Put in order according to the Towns vote

Jabz Athearn *Clerk*

Tisbury ss: That at a Legall Annaversary Town meeting held in sd Tisbury on the Twelfth Day of march 1761: and then assembled. Then a vote was Called for the Choice of a Moderator: & it fell to Jabez Athearn Then Jabez Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk: James Athearn,

Stephen Luce & Shubel Cottle chosen selectmen: John Butler Chosen Constable: Capt Gershom Cathcart Town Treasurer: Thomas Allen & Samuel Lewis Tything men: Lieu^{t} Benj^{a} Manter & Capt Eliakim Norton surveyers of Highways Jonathan Luce & Benj^{a} Lumbert fence viewers: Elisha West & Barnet Case Wardens All the above officers as Chosen to serve for the Ensueing year: —

on the Petition of Nathaniel Hancock Junr for the Exempting of his poll Tax for ye year 1760 put to vote it Passed in the negative: — Whitten Manter by vote allowed Eight shillings pr year untill further orded from the Town he taking care & keeping the Doors shut Excepting when ye house in use & sweeping the floors Then ye s^{d} meeting was adjourned to the 19th Day of s^{d} March four a Clock afternoon of sd Day on account of ye new Choice of a Constable In case ye Person Chosen Refused to serve: pr order of sd Meeting Entered

℘ Jabez Athearn *Clerk*

Then at s^{d} Adjournment Stephen Luce was appointed Moderator, and whereas John Butler had not Complyed to serve in the office of Constable to which he was Chosen, It was Put to vote whether or no Israel Luce should serve in the office of Constable for s^{d} Town of Tisbury for the Present year of 1761 and It passed in the affermative, and hath Taken the Oath of s^{d} Office. Entered pr me

Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss That at a Legal Town meeting held at the Meeting House in Tisbury on the 16th Day of October Anno Dom: 1761 A Vote was Called for the Choice of a Moderator & Stephen Luce was Chosen: said meeting was Notifed to se if a Vote might be Obtained To Chuse some meet Person to Prefer a Petition to the General Court or Assembly held Att Boston &c: that Tisbury might for the future be Made The Shire Town in Dukes County: Said Agent to Joyn with the Agent of Chillmark in Prefering Said Petition and said Vote being Put it Past in the Affirmative and Mr James Athern was Chosen for the Purpose Abovesaid Recorded. ℘ Order of s^{d} Meeting

Jabez Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Dembr th 4 Dy 1761

At a Town Meting Leggely warned and on Novmber the 30 Anna Dom 1761 and Continnued By adjurnment Till this Present Day at which meeting it was put to Vots whether their Should Be one Hundred

and ninty Pounds Raised in the Town this Present yere to Dafray the Charges of Said town and it Past in the afermitive Mr Stephen Luce modrator of S^{d} meting JOSESH ALLEN *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss Ath a Legarly town meating warned at tisbury on Dembr the forth 1761 then was m^{r} Benjamin Allen Chosen modrator of Said meating Joseph Allen was Put to vote To Sarve in the office of Town Clark this Presant year In Sd tisbury and the Vote Past in the Afermitive

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clark*

at a Legeal aniversery Town meeting warned and hild at Tisbury at the meeting house in Sd Tisbury on march the 15 Day anna Domney 1762 then mr David Butler was Chosen modrater of Sd meeting Joseph Allen Chosen Town Clerk for the yeare in Suing Squire Jeames athearn mr Stephen Luce mr Shouble Cottle ware Chosen Sleectmen for the in Suing year Captin Garsham Cithcart town Treasuer for the Insuing year Seth Daggeet and Jonathan hammet Survayer of highways the yeare insuing Benjamin Foster and Benjamin merry ware Chosen in the office of worddings for the Insuing yeare Thomas Smith Jr and Noah Look Chosen to the office of Tything men for the insuing yeare Thomas Allen and Thomas Waldring fence vewers the insuing yeare William Roges and Hezekiah Luce hogreeves for the insuing yeare at meeting Ransford Smith was Chosen to Sarve in the office of Cornstable for the Insuing yeare at Sd meeting it was voted that the Town Should a Low William foster his a Count for Looking after George Carson and his Funrel Charges which was Six Shilings Pr week for 12 weeks and Eleven Shilings for his funrel Charges this Sd meeting was adiorned to the Secn Tusday in Aprel at Three of the Clock in the afternoon Entred this 15 Day of aprel An Do 1762

Pr me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Whare as Mr Benjamin Lumbart and Mr Stephen Luce Being appointed By the Town of Tisbury: To Settle comp^{ts} with captin Garsham Cithcart Tresurer for Sd town their Remains Due to ye Town Exclusive of What orders he has allready Recued from the Selectmen and oversears of the Poor the Soume of Forteen Pounds Eight Shilings Due to sd Town the orders he has Got to Pay is Seventeen Pounds Seventeen Shilings and Ten Pence Tisbury January ye 12: 1761

Entred this 15 Day of march 1762 pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clark:*

at a Legel Town meeting hild By adiornment at the meeting house in Sd Tisbury on Aprel the 13 Dy An Do 1762 upon the Refusel of mr Ransford Smith Taking the office of Counstable the Town Proseded to the Choice of mr John Butler to Sarve in the office of Counstable for the Insuing yeare and adiorned Sd meeting until the Third Tuesday of may insuing the Date heare of Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk.*

at a Legel Town meeting hild By adiornement at the meeting house in Tisbury 18 Day of may 1762 upon the Refusel of mr John Butlers taking the office of Constable mr Shouble Dunham was Chosen to Sarve in the office of Constabe for the Insuing year and Sd metting adiorned to the forth Tusday in may in Suing the Date heare of at Five of the Clock in the afternoon Entred this 18 Day of may An Domny 1762

Pr me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk.*

at a Legel Town meeting hild at the meeting house in Tisbury By adiornment upon the 25 Dy of may and nothing acted upon at Sd meting But adiorned sd march meeting until the Furst Tusday in october next Insuring the Date heare of at Three of the Clock in the afternoon Entred this 25 Day of may An Do 1762 Pr me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

at a Legel Town meeting Legely worned and hild at Tisbury at the meting house on october the 5 Day 1762 to Rase money to Pay the ministers Sallary and to Defray other Charges that has or Should arise and it was Put to vote whether that their Should Be the Soume of one hundred and Sixty Six Pounds Rased and the vote Pased in the a farmitive

Entred this Fifth Day of october An Do 1762 By me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk*

mr Jeams Athearn Esquire Modrater of Sd meeting.

at a Legel Town meeting hild at the metting house in Tisbury By adiornment upon the Fifth Day of october 1762 it was Voted that Shouble Dunham Paying Two Pounds Ten Shilings Should Sarve for his Torn for not sarving Constable and the vote Pased in the afarmitive his Living upon the out Skearts of the Town and his Being Jest Com into

Town and Sd meeting was adiorned to the Last Tusday in october instant at Ten of the Clock in the morning at Cool house Entred this 5 Day of october 1762

Pr me Joseph Allen *Clerk*

at a Legel march meeting hild at the School house in Tisbury By adiornment on the 26 Day of october 1762 to Chuse a Counstable and mr John mayhew was Put to vote and the vote Pased in the afarmitive and adiorned Sd meeting until the Furst Tusday of Novmber Instant at three of the Clock in the afternoon at the School house Entred this 26 Day of october An Do 1762 Pr me

Joseph Allen *Clerk*

October th 28 Dy 1762 Whereas John Butler Being heare to fore Chosen to Sarve as Cunstable has this Daye Excpted and is Sworn to the office upon the Slectmen Paing him the Soume of 2 Pounds 10 Shiling which Shouble Dunham Paid Entred this 28 Dy of october

Pr me Joseph Allen *Clerk*

Tisbury Novmber 24. Dy 1762

These may Certifie Whome it may Counsarne that the Commity Chosen By the Town to put the Parsenage in Repare have Done all that was Required of them agreable to the Vote of the Town and I heare By Relinguesh all Title to the Settlement voted to me By the Town If they Shall keep the Wooden work of the house in Repare agreable to their vote Pr me George Damon

Entred this 23 Dy of Dember 1762 Pr me Joseph Allen *T Clerk*

Tisbury march ye 28 dy 1763

at a Legel anjversary Town meeting Legely warned and hild at the metting house in Sd tisbury mr Jethro Athearn was Chosen modrater of sd meeting it Was Put to vote Whether Joseph allen Should Sarve Town Clerk for the Insuing yeare and the vote Pased in the afarmitive Squire athern mr Stephen Luce mr Shouble cottle Chosen Slectmen for the Insuing year captin Cithcart Chosen Town Treasuer for the Insuing year Captin Norton Benjamin merrey Chosen worddings for Sd yeare Thomas Look Joseph merrey fensveivers for Sd yeare Samuel Lumbart Noah Look Survaers of highwayes for Said year Thomas Allen Robart manter Thomas Smith Tyhingmen for Said year and Sd meeting is ad-

iorned to the Third Tusday in aprel at Two of the Clock Insuing the Date heare of to Consider and act What may Be thought most Proper as to gitting a Constable Entred march th 28 dy 1763

By me JOSEPH ALLEN *T Clerk*

at a Legel Town march meeting hild By adionment on aprel the 19 Dy 1763 at Sd metting John Butler was Chosen to searve in the offes of Counstable for the Insuing year Entred By JOSEPH ALLEN *T Clerk*

at a Legel Town meeting Legely warned and hild at the meeting house in Tisbury on aprel the 19 dy 1763 to See Whether or no the the Town Would Rase a Soum of money to hire a Collecter and it was voted that their Shoul Be Six Pence upon the Pound Rased for Gethering Said Tax for the year Insuing and mr John Butler Excepted of it

Entred aprel the 19 Dy 1763 By me
JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk*

Tisbury Ss att a Legal town meeting Warned an held at Tisbury afordsd on the Eighth Day of augst A D 1763 In order to Consider of Some Proposals made By Doctr Samuel Gillson of Nantuckett in Order for the Town of Tisburys Granting him Liberty To Carry on Inoculation of the Small Pox at Homses hole in Sd Towns Constablerick the Town at Sd meeting Procded and Chose Jeams Athearn Esqr moderator for Sd meeting 1s Then the following vots ware Passed Vizt That Docter Samuel Gillson Be Allowed to Cary on and Pratice Inoculation of the Small Pox in Soume Sutable Place at Homeses hole until it Appears Evident to the Town of Tisbury that it Tis Preiudicial to the Interest of Said Town 2: ndly that Doctor gillson Doe Oblige himself to Take Into his Care any Parson or Parsons that may Be Landed at any Time Within the Said Town of Tisbury With Small Pox without any Demande from the Town their for 3rdly that the sd Doctor obliges himself to Pay the Sum of Six Shillings Lawful money into the Treasury for Said Town of Tisbury for Every Person that he Shall Inoculate with the Small Pox While he Practices In that Distemper in Said Town of Tisbury Excepting those that Shall Belong to Sd town voted Likewise that Gershom Cathcart Esqr Jacob Robson Stephen Luce Shouble Cottle and Robart manter be a Comittee for sd Town to Consult with Docter Gillson. where may Be a Sutable Place for the Safe Carrying on the Inoculation afordsd

That Their Power continue for the Space of one Yeare as a comity from the Date heare of All the Above sd Votes Passed By the sd Town

of Tisbury So far as Their Power as a Town Extended Allways Suposing By the Vots above sd that he sd Docter Does agree with the Majr Part of The a Bovesd Comitty ꝑ order of the meeting Jeams athearn Modrater Entred this 25 Day of Augst A D 1763 By me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Cleark*

To all People to whome these Presants Shall come Greeting know ye that Wheare as Elisha West marchent Abijah Atharn husbandman and Jonathan manter farryman all of Tisbury in Dukes County are Each of ous oweners and In Posseshen of Three Tracts or Parsels of wood Land at or Near homses hole in sd Tisbury formerly purchesed By Capt Samuel Cobb mr Stephen Look and the afsd Atharn of the Reverand Thoms West of Dartmouth in the county of Bristol and Said Elisha West purchesed one Quarter of the hole of said Look and sd Manter purchesed three Eights of Said Cobb as more fully may Appear By the Dees now on Record and we judging it Best to Divide Said three Loots have and Do By these Presents Divided Said Lands in maner folowing Said Eisha West hath the Two Smallest Lots one Being one fifth of the Lands Mr Abner West Died Sezed of and gave by will to Said Thomas West and is a Bout Six acars the other Small Lot is the harlf of a wood Lot Devided Betwen Said Thomas West and Said Eisha west Containing about Twelve acars these are the whole of Said West Quarter of the primeses

Said Abijah Atharn and Jonathan manter hath the Largest Loot Being further from the harbour of homses hole Containing a Bout Ninty Acars Equely Betwen them their full of their Three Quarters of the primeses These Divisen we Do for oure salves our haers and Execiters and Adminestreter Confaerm to Eatch other forever the above Devition as Witness our hands and Seles this furst Day of September AD 1762

sined Sealed and Delevered in Pressence of ABIGAIL DAGGET
SARAH BUTLER
EUNCE MERRY

ELISHA WEST.
ABIJAH ATHEARN.
JONATHAN MANTER.

Entred this Third Day of September 1763
By me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

These Presents Witneseth that we whiten manter and Benjamin manter Both of Tisbury Sheweth that Wheras our honred father Benjamin manter Late of Said Tisbury Descied Who Died Seased of A Tract and Persel of Land lying at a Place known By the name of the Point of tis-

new now to Be Devided Equely Between we two Brothers a Bove Said and the a Bove Sd Benjamin manter takes that Lot of Land that Lyeth at the Point that was Samuel Looks a Lotment as may a Pear by Dead and another Persel Lying to the Eastward of Jethro Atharns Land Bounded as foloweth at a Ston Lying upon a Ridge then from Sd Ston Notherly to a Ston Lying by a Dich and a fence then Esterly to the Pond then Southerly By Sd Pond to the a Bove Sd atharns Land Now I the a Bove Sd whiten manter Do for my Selfe my heirs and asians aquit all my Whole Right Title and Intrest in and unto the a Bove Sd Benjamin manter his hears and asigns for Ever and fothermore I the a Bove Sd Benjamin manter Do for for my Self my heirs and a Signs Do aquit all my whole Right that I have unto all the Lands and medow to the west and notherd of Sd Bounds unto him the a Bove Sd Whiten manter his hears and asigns for Ever In witness Where of We have Set to our hands this Twenty furst Day of September 1763

Witness heare unto — Whiten manter
Samuel manter — Benjamin manter
John Manter

Entred Pr me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legel Town meetting Legely warned and hild at Tisbury on the 10 Day of Jenuary an Do 1764 Then mr Jeathro Athearn was Chosen modrater of Sd meeting then it Was put to vote Whether Docter Gillson Should Stil Continue the Pratice of Inoculation as Voted Before the Town Did then Except the Preposels which Weare then made by sd Docter and the Vote Pased In the afarmitive 3dly that David Butler Seth Daggett Jonathan manter Ware chosen and Put to vote to Joyn the former Committy and the Vote Pased In the Afarmitive Entred Pr me

Joseph Allen *T Clerk*

At a Legeal Town meeting Legealy warned and heald at Tisbury upon the Tenth Day of Jeanary 1764 then It was Voted that Seventy Eight Pounds Lawful money Should Be Rased to Defray the Town Charges and the vote Pased In the afarmitive mr Jeathro Athearn modrater of sd meeting Entred By me

Joseph Allen *T Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A Legal Town Aniversary Meeting Legley Warned and hild in Tisbury at the Metting House on Fryday The Second Day of

March An Do 1764 Mr Benjamin Mantor Modrater of Sd Meeting it Was Put to Vote Whether Joseph Allen Should Sarve In the Office of Town Clerk and the Vote Pased In the A Farmitive 2ndly It Was Voted that Job Look Should Sarve In the office of Constable for the In Suing year Voted Like Wise that he Should have Six Pence Pr Pound for Collecting the money 3rdly Squire Jemes Athern Stephen Luce Shouble Cottle Ware Chosen Seelectmen for the Insuing year Zeph Luce Thomas Allen Ware Chosen to the office of Wardeens for the year Insuing Mager Gershom Cithcart Town Treasuer for the In Suing year Capt Samuel Cob Capt Eliakeom norton Survayers of high ways for the Insuing year Benjamin Lumbart William Luce fence vewers for the In Suing yere Capt David Butler Benjm Foster Tything men for the Insuing year Robart Luce Jonathan Hammat hog Reeves the In Suing year Entred this Third Day of march A d 1764 Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Legel Town meeting Legely worned and hild at Tisbury on fryday the Tweity Second Day of June an Do 1764 In order to Chuse Soum Sutable Parson to Collect the Remainder of the Rats for the year 1762 not Colected By John Butler Late Constable of Sd Tisbury Who Deceased not Colected the hole of the money and LikeWise to Collect the hole of the Rats for the year 1763 at Sd metting Stephen Louce Was Chosen modrater and Like Wise Robart manter was Chosen and a Gread With to Cullect the hole of Both Rats for Six Pence Pr Pounds and Put to vote and the vote Pased in the afarmitive Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Leagel Town Meeting Legly Worned and hild at Tisbury at the County house on Wednesday 26 Dy of December 1764 In Order to Rase Money to Defray the Town Charges and it was Put to vote Whether their Should Be Ninty Pounds Rased and the vote Pased in the a farmitive Joseph Allen modrater of Sd meeting

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk*

Att A Leagel Town Anaversery Meeting Leagly worned and hild at The County house in Tisbury on the Forth Day of march A D 1765 mr Jethro Athern modrater of Sd Meeting Jeams Athearn Esquire Stephen Luce Shouble Cottle Slectmen for the year In Sueing Joseph Allen Town Clerk the year In Suing William Luce Chosen Constable for the

In Suing year and the Town voted that he Should have Six Pence Pr Pound For Gethering the money majer Cithcar Chosen Town Treasuer For Sd year Joseph merrey Jonathan hammet Surveyors of high Ways for Sd year Jacob Robinson Thomas Allen Tythingmen For Sd year Ezra Athern Thomas Warlrond fence vewers the In Suing year David Butler Benjamin Lumbart Benj merrey Warddens for the In Suing year Benjamin Allen Robart Cithcart Robart Borges hogreves for the year in Suing and meeting Is adiorned to the Eighteenth Day of march Instant at 2 of the Clock in the after Noon

Entred this 4 dy of march 1765

By me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

Att Sd Adjornment of the march metting hild at Tisbury on the Eighteenth Day of march 1765 at the county house then Isrel Luce was Chosen to Sarve Constable for the year In Suing For William Luce and Like Wise the Town has Voted Sd Isrel Should have Six Pence Pr Pound for Gethering the Taxes.

Entred this Eighteenth dy of march 1765 By me

Joseph allen *Town Clerk*

At A Legel Town meeting Legely warned and hild at the County house In Tisbury on the Twenty Second Day of June 1765 then It was Put to vote whether Capten Eliakum Norton Should Be In Specter of Sheeap the In Suing yeare and the vote Pased In the a farmitive

Entre June th 23d y 1765

Pr me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

At a Leagel Town Meeting Leagely Worned and hild at the court house in Tisbury on Mundy the Twenty Eight day of October 1765 Decen Stephen Luce was Chosen modrater of Sd meeting then it Was Put to Vote that the School house Should Be fixt up Secondly it Was Voted that the School Should Be Cept at Soum Sutable Place for Ten years Which Should Be a Greead to By a Comity Which was then Chosen to wit Squire Jeams Athern mr Malitiah Davis abijah Athern to Purfix a Place Wher It Should Be Cept During Sd Term for 7 months in Each year and It was Furthea Voted that after they had A Greead upon a Spot Where the house Should Stand that then the Sd E Squire Atherne and Abijah Athern Should See that the house was Sutably Repared to Ceep School In Thirdly It Was Voted that the Soum of Ninty Pounds

Should Be Rased to Defray the Town Charges the In Suing year forthly It was voted that a Pound Should Be Bult With Stone Where the old Pound Now Stands Entred By me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk*

Recved of Thomas Walrond of Tisbury in Duks County In the Provance of the Massachusetts Bay In New England Gent^n Foure Pounds five Shilling and fore Pence Lawfull money For Which we have Sold him all the Gots that Belonged to the Estate of John Butler Late of Tisbury yeoman Decest and the Eare marks that the Sd Goats Bare to gether With the Sd Goats Part of them marked With two half Penney Before the Right Ear and the other Part of them marked With Two half Penneys Before the Right Eare and a half Flowred Deluce Before the Left Ear as Witness our hands this Sevententh Day of October A D 1765

Atest THOMAS DAGGETT — THOMAS JONES.
Atest EBENEZER DAGGETT — JEDIDAH JONES.
the A Bove Sd marked alowed By ous JEAMS ATHERN } *Selectmen*
SHOUBLE COTTLE }
Entred this 29 dy of October 1765 By me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk*

Whare as we the Subscribers Being Joint owners of a Certain Tract of Land Lying In Eegart town In the county of Dukes County Bounded westerly By the Lands of Caleb Rands and on the South By the Lands of Henry Luce & Southeasterly by the Lands of and on the North By homes Hole Path Being In the whole A Bout Twenty foure Acres Wherefore By These Presents it is Shown and Certified that Barnabus Luce Shall Have and hold to himself heirs & assigns for Ever as his Part of Said Lands The Land on Which his house Stands Bounded Northly by homeshole Path or way forty Two Rods Beginning at the Northwest corner next To Said Caleb Rands Land and Southerly By the Remander of Said Tract of Land forty and Eight Rods & westerly By Said Rands Land to the afore mentioned corner In witness Whereof We have Set our Hands & and Put our Seals this 22 Day of Novmber In the Fifth yeare of his maj^ts Raign Anno Dom : 1765

Signed Sealed & Delivered In the — SAMUEL CROSBY ⊖
Presents of ous. — BARNABUS LUCE ⊖
REBEKAH LUCE
ELESEBETH CHASE

Entred By me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbry ss At A Leagel Town Meeting Legely Worned and hild at The Cort house In Sd Tisbury in march the 28 Dy 1766 In order to Chuse All Town officers at Which Sd annvercery Meeting Mr Jethro Athern was Chosen modrator of Sd meeting then It Twas Put to vote Whether Squr Jeams Athearn Decon Stephen Luce Joseph Allen Should Sarve Slectmen the yeare Insuing and the vote Pased In the A farmative it was Voted that Joseph Allen Should Sarve Town Clerk the In Suing yeare in the Next Place It was voted that Zaccheus Chace Should Sarve In the offece of Constable the In Suing yere and Like Wise It was Voted the Sd Chase Should have Six Pence upon the Pound for Collecting the money Gersham Cathcart was Chosen Town Tereasuer for the In Suing yeare Benjamin Lumbart Jacob Clifford chosen Wordeings for the In Suing yeare Cornel manteer Seth Look Fence Vewers Ezra Athern Benj^{mn} Allen Survaers of high Ways the insuing yeare Thomas Allen Jobe Look Tythingmen Samuel Gray Samuel Lumbart Robart Cithcart hough Reves the In Suing yeare and Said meeting Stands A Jorned to the Leventh Day Insuin the Date heare of to Three of the Clock In the after Noon

Entred Pr me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

At the A Jonment of the Sd Annaversery Town meeting hild at the Cort house In Tisbury upon the Eleventh Day of Aprel Then Isral Luce Was chosen Cunstable In the Roon of Zacchas Chace By an A Greement Betwen Them Entred Pr me

Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Legal Town meeting hild at the Corthouse in Tisbury on Frydia the Twelvth Day of Dcember In Order to vot what money Should Be thought necesary and In the furst Place mager Cithcart was Chosen modrater of Sd meeting and Secondly it was Voted that the Soum of Sixty Pounds Should Be Rased to Defray the Towne Charges the Insuing yeare Thirdly it was Voted that Mr. Stephen Luce and Joseph Allen Should Be a Committee to Settle with the Town Treasurer all accounts Forthly It was Voted that the vote that the Town Pased In order to Build a Stone Pound Should Be void and Like Wise that mr Ezra Athearn and mr Benjamin allen Should Be a committee to a Gree With Some Person to Buld a Pound With oake Posts and Rales Where they Shall Think most Convenant for the Youse of the Town Tisbury Dcember th 12 dy 1766

Entred By me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Legel Town meeting Legely warned and hild at the meeting house in Sd Tisbury on Fryda the Twenty Seventh Day of Febuary Anno Dom 1767 at Sd Meeting Joseph Allen was Chosen modrater in the furs Place It Was Put to Vote Whether the Town Would In Large the Meetin house Wheare it Now Stands and the vote Pased In the afarmative By the mager Part of the voters Then Present 2ly it Was Put to Vote Whether the Town would In Large the Sd meeting house Teen Feet upon the Back Side and the vote Passed In the negetive

entred By me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Att A legeal Town Annuarsery meeting Leagely Worned and hild at the meeting house In Sd Tisbury In order to Chuse All Such Town offesses as the Law Requires In the furst Place Deon Stephen Luce Was Chosen moderater of Sd meeting Joseph Allen was Chosen Town Clerk the yeare In Suing and Eliacom Norton was Chosen By the maijer Part of the voters then Present to Sarve the Town In the office of Cornstable the yeare Insuing Squire Jeams Athearn Decon Stephen Luce Joseph Allen ware Chosen Slectmen the Insuing yeare maijer Cithcart Chosen Tow Treasuear and Like Wise It was voted that he Should have Three Pence upon the Pound a Loued him for Recving and Paing out the money the yeare In Suing Barnet Case and Seth Daggtt Survaers of high Ways the Insuing yeare Joseph mearry and Elijer Look fence Vewears the Insuing yeare Beniamin Foster and Jonathan Manter ware Chosen Tythingmen Russell Hancock Enoch Luce Bethuel Luce ware Chosen houh Reves the In Suing yeare Seth Daggett Noah Look Belcher manter warddeans the yeare Insuing and the acounts a Loued for Reparing the School house and Bulding the Pound and Like Wise Jearmiah manter is to keep the Pound In Repare for the Tarme of Twenty years from the Date heare of and to keep the Pound the Insuing yeare and Like Wise it Was Voted that Eliacom Norton Should have Six Pence upon the Pound for Colleting the Taxes and Like wis it was voted to Repare the meeting hous Like Wise it was voted to a Loue Jobe Look Peters Swains Rats the Said metting was hild at the meetting house in Tisbury upon the 31 Day of march 1767 It was put vote Whether the town would Portion of one of the chambers in the Parsonage house and the vote was Negatived And Like Wise Sd meeting was adiorned until the Second Tusday In Aprel In Suing at foure of the Clock In the afternoon Entred Pr me this 31 Dy of march 1767

Joseph Allen *Town Cleark*

upon the Sd Second Tusday of Aprel at 4 of the Clock in the after Noon then met and for Some Reasons Contiued Sd march annaversary Meeting By a Adiornment until the 28 day of aprel at 4 of the Clock in the after noon to Be hild at the meetting house in Sd Tisbury Entred this 14 dy of aprel 1767

Pr me Joseph Allen *T Clerk*

Tisbur ss Where as Wee the Subcribers Being Chosen By the Town to Settle a Counts With the Town Treasuarer and have Accordingly Done it and their Remains In the Towns favouer in Treasuares hands Not yet ordered out the Soume of £45 = 6 = 11 accordingly Settled By ous

march the 31dy An Do 1767

Stephen Luce.
Joseph Allen.

Entre By me Joseph allen *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Ss at the Adiornment of Sd march Annavarsary meetting hild at the meetting house In Sd Tisbury on the Twenty Eigh Day of Aprel 1767 Then it Was put to Vote whether Thomas Daggett Should Sary In the Office of a Cornstable the In Suing yeare and the vote Pased In the afarmative and Likewise It was Voted that the Said Daggett Should have Six Pence upon the Pound for Cullecting the money and Majer Cithcart was Chosen to keep the Parsnel house In Repare According to the Towns A Greament Entred this 28 dy of aprel 1767

Pr me Joseph Allen *T Clerk*

A A Leagel Town meeting warned and hild at the cort house in Tisbury upon the 20 Day of Octobr 1767 In order to act and Do What was their Set foath In the Notification and In the furst Place Deacon Stephe Luce was Chosen modrater of Sd meeting 2 ly it was Put to Vote Whether the Soum of Eighty Pounds Should be Rased to Defray the Town Charges the In Suing yeare and the wote Pased In the Afarmitive 3ly it was Put to wote whethey the town would In Large the Revend Mr George Damanis Salary and the vote Pased in the Negetive and forthly it was Put to vote whether The the Town would alow Peter Daggett Ten Dolers for the youse of his house the Time that Susana Luce had the Small Pox their and the vote Pased In the afarmitive

entred Pr me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk.*

Tisbury Ss At a Leagel Town Meetting Legly Warned and hild at the School house In Sd tisbury on Fridey the 11 day of December 1767 in the furst Place Decon Stephen Luce Was Chosen Modrater of Sd meetting 2ly it Was Put to Vote Whether their Should Be a Committy Chosen to Goe and Treet With the Revend mr George Daman and the Vote Pased In the a farmitive 3ly Deacon Stephen Luce Elisha West Benjamin Allen Elijah Look Shouble Cottle Ware Chosen By the Maijer Part of the Voters then Present as a Commity to goe and Treet With the Revend Mr Damon Consarning his uneseness and to make Report to the Town

Entred this 11 Dy of Dcember 1767 Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk.*

Tisbury Ss At a Leagel Town Meetting Leagely warned and Hild at the Meeting house In Sd Tisbury on Friday the 22 Dy of Jenauary AD 1768 In the furst Place Stephen Luce was Chosen Modrater of Sd Meeting In the Second Place it was Put to vote Whether their Should Be A Comitty Chosen out of the Naburing Town or Towns to Consult and Detarming What Should Be Don to our Meetting house and the Vote Pased In the A Farmitive 3Ly Mr Thomas Buttler Mr William Johnacins of Edgertown and Mr. Elisub addoms of Chillmark Ware Chosen as a Committy to Detarming Whether Sd Meeting house Should Be Repared Whare it now Stands 4ly or Whare it Should Be Inlarged Whare it now Stands and If Inlarged to Detarming how much 5Ly or Whare it Should Be Removed to Soum Other Place and the Sd Committy Determing that It Should Be Removed then to a Point a Place whare to and Like wise to Detarming Whether those Parsons that are Presents owners of Pues In the Presant Meeting house Shall have the Same Spots Allowed them In the New one In case it Be Removed or if Not To Determin what Sum Shall be Allowed Them for their Pews 4ly Squire Athern Elisha West Ransford Smith Shouble Cottle Benjamin Allen Ware Chosen a Committy to Represent the Town Before the committy Chosen out of Town Consarning our Meeting house and to make Report of the Same at our next meeting

At the a Bove Sd town meeting hild at the Meeting house In Tisbury on Frydia the 22dy of Jenauary 1768 Consarning that Clause In the nottification a Bout Checemmo alouing more then their equel Porportion

in not helping Bulding the Present meeting house was Negetived Lastly consarning making addition to the Revend Mr Damans Sallary it was Put to vote and it was A Tyee Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Ss at A Leageal Town meeting Leagly Warnd and hild at the Meeting house in Sd Tisbury on Friday the 22 Dy of January AD 1768 In the Furst Place Decon Stephen Luce Was Chosen Modrater of Sd meeting 2Ly It was Put to vote Whether their Should Be a Commity Chosen out of the Nabouring Town or Towns and the vote Pased In the A Farmitive 3^ly Mr Thomas Butler Mr William Johnacins of Edgertown and Mr Elishub Adoms of Chillmark was Chosen a Comitty to Detarming what Should Be Done to our meeting house the Sd Comity to have Power to Detarming whethe it be Proper to Repare the Present meeting house where it now Stands in the Present Situation 4^ly If they Should think and Determin it not Proper to Repare it as af sd 5ly to be Determined by the Said committy Whether it Should be Inlarged Where it now Stands and in what method 6ly If Said Comitty Should Determin it not Proper to Inlarge it where it now Stands then to a Point a Place Which as thay Shall Judge most Propper to Be Removed To and Like wise whether those Parsons that are Pressent oners of Pwes in the Present meeting house Shall have the Same Spots a Loued in the new one or If not to Determing what Soume Shall Be A Loued them fortheir Pwes and to make Report of their Doings at our Next town meetting

Entred by me JOSEPH ALLEN *T Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A Leageal Town Meeting Leagly worned and Hild at the Meeting house in Sd Tisbury on Tusday the 16 dy of Febury 1768 In the Furst Place Squire Jeams Athearn was Chosen Modrater of Sd Meetting 2 Ly the Meeting Proceeded and Put to vote the Report of the Committy Chosen by Town at the Last Meeting to Determin Whether the Meeting House in Sd Town be Removed or not as Likewise to Detarming Concerning the Pews in Sd meeting House and the Voters In Sd Meeting being 32 In Number ware Equally Devided So that their Could Be no Vote to Accept of their Report But Stands undetermind 3 Ly A Vote was Put Whether the Meeting Would Chouse a Committy or committys to Act Transact or Do any thing that Shall be That Nesse-

ceery Concerning Said Meeting House and it Past in the Negative then It was Put to Vote Whether this Meeting be Adjourned to Soum futer Day and it Past in the Negative Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Ss at A Leagal Town Annavarsery Meeting Legly Worned and hild at the Meeting house In Sd Tisbury In Order to Make Choice of All Such Town Offices as the Law Requires Squire Jeams Athearn was Chosen Modrater of Sd Meeting Squire Jeams Athearn Stephen Luce Joseph Allen ware Chosen Slectmen for the In Suing yeare Joseph Allen Town Clerk the yeare Insuing Eliakim Norton Chosen Constable for the yeare Insuing Barbus Luce Jonathan Manter Chosen Survyrs of high ways David Butler Benjamin Foster Russel Hencock Tythingmen the Insuing yeare Henery Luce Jacob Robinson Fence Vewers the Insuing yeare Robart Cithcart Robart Burges Sealers of Lether Enoch Luce Bethuel Luce Hogreves the Insing yeare Garsom Cithcart Esqr Town Tresuer and Sd Meeting Stands Adjoruned to the Last Tusday of this Instant March at 2 of the Clock In the After Noon Entred By me JOSEPH ALLEN *T Clerk* the a Bove Sd Meeting Was hild at the meeting on wensday the 9 Day of march 1768 at one of the Clock in the after Noon

JOSEPH ALLEN *Clerk*

Tisbury Ss At a Leagle Town Meeting Leagly Warned and Hild at the Meeting house In Sd Tisbury on Wensday the 9 Day of March A D 1768 Jeams Athern Esqr was Chosen Modrater of Sd Meeting in the Furst Place it was Put to Vote Whether the Meeting house Should Be Inlarged whare it Now Stands and the vote Pased In the afarmitive 2^{ly} it was Put to vote whether the Sd Meeting house Should Be Cut in two In the midle and the Estermust harlf Be Removed 15 feet to the Estward and the vote Pased In the a farmitive 3rd voted that the Same Be Done at the Cost of the Town and that their Should Be 19 Pews Back of the Frount 6 In the middle Alley 3 of Each Side 2 By the Pulpet 4 Back of Each Side Gallery and the Spots to Be Sold at a Publick Vandue 4 ly Voted that Benj^{am} Allen Shouble Cottle Noah Look Be A Committy to A Gree with sume Person or Parsons to In Large Git finished the Sd Meetting house Compleat In All Parts Both for finishing the House and Shingling Whear Ever it a Pears Nesseary to the Said Committy Excepting Bulding the Pews only Entred on Record JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk* and Sd committy is to mend the windows of Sd house and Plaster the Same

At the adjornment of Sd March meeting hild at the Meting house In Sd tisbury on Tusday the 29 dy of March 1768 then Elijah Look was Chosen Constable in the Room of Eliakom Norton for sd Nortons Torn he Sd Norton Paing Three Poll Taxes in Be harlf of three to Be Laid on Sd Looks family sd Look is to have the Six Pence upon the Pound that was granted to sd Norton for Collecting the money Stephen Luce and Joseph Allen ware Chosen a Commity to Settle with the Towns Treasuer for the time Past that have Not Ben Settled David Butler Benj:am Lumbart Jonathan Manter Wardens the yeare Insuing Isaac Chace Seth Dagget Survers of Boards and Shingels the year in Suing Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at A Legel Town meeting Leagly warned and hild at the meeting house In Sd Tisbury on wensday the Thirteenth Day of aprel 1768 at three of the Clock in the after Noon Joseph Allen Chosen Modrater of Sd meeting then Said meeting was adiorned to majer Cithcarts to Seven of the Clock In Sd Eving then the foling articles ware Voted that Mr Jocob Robinson and Timothy Lumbert Should Inlarg the Meeting House In Sd Town In the folling fom Viz: to Cut Sd house In the middle and Enlarge it 15 feet and to Inlarge it 2 feet on the Back Side and to Finish all the wooden work and to Shingel the Rooff with new Shingles and to Remove the Pulpet back and to Lengthen the Galerys where Inlarged for the following Priveledge Viz:t to have the Back Side Both wood and Glass and to Glaze the Room they shall make with Dimond Glass and to have the Three Pews Back of the Frunt Gallerys and All the Pew Room on the flooer they Shall Make Except the fore Seat and middle alla 3½ feet wide which Shall Be Reserved for the Towns use and to be Paid further By the Town the Sume of Seven Pounds Twelve Shillings Lawfull money when their work be Fineshed and to have the Same Done By the 20th of August Sutable for Plasturing all the A Bove Sd Articles ware Voted then majer Cithcart Shouble Cottle Benj: Allen Noah Look ware Chosen a Committy to take Security of Sd Robinson and Lumbert that the Same Be Done By the Time and Likewise to Agree With Sum Parson or Parsons to Plaster Said meeting house Entred By me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Cllerk*

Tisbury Ss at a Leagel Town meeting Leagly worned and hild at the meeting house in Sd Tisbury on Dcember 26dy 1768 In order to Rase what money the Town Should See Fit to Defray the town Charges the In Suing yeare and In the furst Place Jeams Athearn Esquire Was

Chosen modrater of Sd meeting 2ly it Was noted that their Should Be Seven Pounds Twelve Shilling Raise to Pay Jacob Robinson and Timothy Lumbart for what they Did to the meeting house 3Ly Voted that Seven Shilling and one Paney Be Raised to Pay Maijer Cithcart for Reparing the Parsnige house and Like Wise Eleven Shillings to Whitten Manter for Carting Stone and under Pining the meeting house and Like Wise Voted that their Should Be Fifty five Pounds Lawfull money Raised to Defray the Town Charges All Radey Risen or may Rise the In Suing yeare Further voted that Maijer Cithcart Should Be Elowed for Clecting the Towns money Further It Was Put to Vote whether Elijah Look Should have Forty Pounds Elowd him for Plastring the meeting house and the vote Pased In the Negetive Entred pr me Joseph Allen *Town Clerk*

Know all Men by these presents that we Jacob Robinson and Timothy Lumbert both of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County & province of the Massachusetts bay in New England House Carpenters for and in Consideration of and in Consideration of the sum of ten pounds fifteen shillings & eight pence Lawful money well and truly paid by Thomas Waldron Gent of the Town of Tisbury aforesaid The receipt whereof we do Acknowledge & our Selves Satisfied & Contented have given sold and Conveyd and do by — the presents give sell & convey unto the S^d^ Thomas Waldron his heirs and Assigns for a pew spot in ye Publick meeting house in sd Tisbury it being a new spot Adoining ye pulpit on the east side by the wall on the North side of S^d^ meeting house and we the s^d^ Jacob Robinson and Timothy Lumbert likewise do by the presents Avouch ourselves the proper owners at time of the Sale hereof — — To have and to hold the sd granted and barganed Premises free from us the sd Jacob Robenson and Timoth Lumbart our heirs Executors & Administerators unto him the sd Thomas Waldrond his heirs Executors Administrators and assigns for his and there own property use Benifit & behoof

In witness an confirmation whereof we have sit our hand and affixed our Seals this third day of January in the year of our lord one thowsand seven hundred and Sixty nine

Signed Sealed and Delivered in Presence of us
Benj^m^ Lumbert
Barshaba Lumbert

Jacob Robinson

Timothy Lumbert

Entered on the Record this 5th day of March A D 1799
Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a Leagle Annvarsery Town Meeting Leagly Worned and hild at the meeting house In Sd Tisbury on Tuseday the 28 of March 1769 In Order to Chouse all those Town Officers that Law Requires Shall be annually Chosen 2 ly to chuse A Committe to Settle Accompts with Those Persons that Undertook the Lathing and Plastring the Meeting 3 ly to See If a Vote may be Obtaned to Coller meeting house In Sd Town with Tarr and Oker to Preserve the Shingles 4 ly to vote What may Be that Proper Conserning The Better Furnishing this Town with a School or Schools 5 ly to See if the town will make any a Lounce to the committy that Sarved the Town When the Small Pox was carred onby Inoculation In Sd Town the meeting Proseded and Chose Maijer Cathcart modrater of Sd Meeting Joseph Allen Chosen Town Clerk Decon Stephen Luce Ezra Athern Joseph Allen Chosen Slectmen the Insuing year Belcher Manter Chosen Cornstable the Insuing yeare Likewise voted that the Cornstable Should have Six Pence upon the Pound for Celecting the money Noah Look and Barnabus Luce Chosen Survaiers of high Ways the In Suing year Benjamin Lumbart Jonathan Manter Tything men the Insuing yeare Benj^{mn} Allen Joseph Merrey Fence vewers the In suing yeare Robart Cathcart Robart Borges Chosen Seelers of Lether Squire Athern William Rotch Survaers of Lumber the Insuing yeare Benj^{mn} Merrey William Foster Warddens Abijer Athern John Manter hog Reves the Isuing yeare Maijer Cathcart Chosen Town Treasuer the In Suing yeare and Sd meeting Stands Adiorned to the Secone Tusday of Aprel Instant at 3 of the Clock In the afternoon

Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Leagle Town Meeting Leagly warned and hild At the Meeting house In Sd Tisbury in order to Rase what money the Town Should See fit to Defray chages on Fryday the Seventeenth Day of November 1769 in the Furs Place Majer Cithcart was Chosen modrater of Sd meeting 2ly Sd meting was adiorned to Thurdsday the 23 day of Novmber In Stant at two of the Clock In the after Noon Entred Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk.*

At the Adjornment of Sd meeting In order to Rase money to Defray the Town Charges the In Suing yeare and it was voted that the Soume of Eighty Pounds Should Be Rased 2ly agreable to the Notifie Cation voted that Benjamin Allen Should Be a Committy man to Put the School House In Good Repare and to Bring In his Bill to the Town When he

has Don his Work voted that Stephen Luce and Joseph Allen Should Be a Comity to Settle a Compts with the Town Treasury this Present yeare votted that Whitten Manter Should Take the Care of the Towns Metting house the yeare In Suing and Sweap it and keep it Clean and voted that he Should have the Soume of Sixteen Shillings a Loued him for his Troble Entred Pr me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Cleark*

Tisbury ss at a Legel Town annavarsery meeting Leagly Worned and hild at the Cort house In Sd Tis^{br} on thurdsday 22 dy of march at Three of the In the afternoon 1770 In order to Chuse all Such Town Offesers as the Law Requires yearly to be Chosen In furst Place Mr Stephen Luce Was Chosen Modrater of Sd Metting 2ly Joseph Allen was Chosen Town Clerk the Insuing yeare 3ly Stephen Luce Ezra Athern Joseph Allen Slectmen the Insuing year 4ly Isaac Daggett Was Chosen Cornstable the Insuing year and voted that Sd Daggett Should have Six Pence upon the Pound for Culecting the money majier Cithcart Chosen Town Town Treasure the In Suing yeare Ransford Smith Benjamin Lumbart Jacob Clifford Chosen Warddens the Insuing year Barnet Case Joseph Merrey Survers of high Ways the In Suing yeare Jacob Robinson Thomas Allen Chosen fence vewers for the yeare Insuing Noah Look Jonathan Manter Chosen Tything men the yeare Insuing Majier Cithcart Chosen Sealer of Wats and measures the Insuing yeare Seth Daggett William Rotch Chosen Survaers of Lumber the Insuing yeare David Merrey Jermiah Manter Chosen Hough Reves the InSuing year Robart Cithcart Robart Borges Chosen Selers of Leather the In Suing yeare and Said meeting Stands a Jorned to Thurdsday the 5 day of Aprel at three of the Clock In the after Noon Entred This 22 day of march 1770 Pr Me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Meet at the Cort house In Sd Tisbury on Thurds the 5 Day of Aprel at 3 of the Clock in the After Noon 1770 and Continued Sd March Meeting By Adjornement until Aprel the 12 Dy 1770 at 4 of The Clock In the After Noon then It was Put to Vote Whether the Town Would Except Belcher Manter Cornstable In the Room of Isaac Daggett and the Vote Pased In the a Farmitive Entred this Twelvet Day of Aprel 1770 Pr Me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town*

At a Leagel Town Meeting Leagly Warned and hild at the Cort house In Tisbury on Thurdsday the Twelveth Day of Aprel 1770 at 3 of the Clock in the after Non In order to Vote the following Particulers furst to See If the Town would grant the Remitting Some Parsons Rats Who Ware Dade and Stephen Luce Was Chosen Modrater of Sd Meeting and the Town Voted that the Slectmen Should take the mater into Considration and alow them as they Shall See Fit Like Wise Voted that Abiah Coy Be Implyed to keep the Town Chool the yeare In Suing Entred this Twelveth Day of Aprel 1770 Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Leagle Town Meeting Warned and hild at the Cort house In Sd Tisbury on Fryday the Forteenth Day of Dcember In order to Consider and See What money the Town Should See Fit to Rase to Defray the Town Charges the Insuing yeare and In the Furst Place Decon Stephen Luce was Chosen Modrater of Sd Metting 2 ly It Was Put to Vote Whether one Hundred and Twenty Pounds Should Be Rased to Defray the Town Charges and The Vote Pased In the afarmitive Entred this 14 dy of Dcember 1770 By Me JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury January 28th 1771 Whareas we the Subcribers heareunto With Benjamin Allen and Shoble Cottle Was Chosen by the Town to See that the Carpender Work on Sd Meeting house in Sd Tisbury Was Dun according to Bargen and also to Git the Meeting house Plastred it Being Late in the yeare Before Sd Work Was Dun It Made it Dificult to Git It Plastred Benjam Allen Being Absent from home and Cottle Refusing to act in in the affare We a Gread With Elijah Look to take the Lime and and Nales and Laths att the Price agreed for and to Plaster Sd house forthwith If the Weather Would a Low of it for forty Six Pounds thirteen shillings and fore Pence Which Sd Look Preformed on his Part Now We Desire the town to order Sd Look his Money

agreed for Pr GERSHOM CATHCART }
NOAH LOOK } *Commity*

We the Subcribers Protest Aganst the above Agreement Being two of the Committiy Refered to a Bove We having Mad our obiectons Before the Work Was Done to the Men that Ware at Work & Implyed By the other two Committey men Benjmn allen Shoble Cottle this furst Day of Febueary 1771

Entred on Record By JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Leagel Town Meeting Leagly Worned and hild at the Cort house In Sd Tisbury on Fryday the furst Day of Febreuay at Two of the Clock in the after Noon In Order to Recve the Report of the Towns Committey Relating to their Plastering the Meeting House In Tisbury and Like Wise then to Pass Such Votes as Shall Be Thought Proper their on Relative to Said Committy Report 1ly Jeams Athearn Esquire Was Chosen Modrater of Said Meeting Two of the Committi Made Report viz.t Ger.hon Cathcart & Noah Look the Other Two Viz.t Benjamin Allen & Shubel Cottle Entred their Protest a Gainst the Reports then a Vote Was Called to know Whether they Would accept the Peport of Two of Sd Committe & the Vote Pased in negative A Vote Was then Called to Se if the Town Would Allow the Reasonable Demands of those Persons Who did the Lathing and Plastring the Said Meeting house in Tisbury they Bringing In their Accounts & It Pased In the Affarmative Benjamin Lumbart A Pointed to Informe the Labours of the Town Vote and Sd meeting Was Adjourned to Tusday y.e 5 Instant Febuary 1.th 1771 Entred By me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

At Sd Adjornment Met and Continnued Said Meeting By Adjornment to Fryday the 15 Instant at 5 of the Clock In the after Noon at the house of Samuel Cobb In Tisbury

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

At A Town Meeting Leagly Worned and hild at the county county house In tisbury on Mundy the forth Day of March A D 1771 In order to Chuse Sume Suttable Parson to apear in the Towns Beharlf in the furst Place Jeams Athearn Esq.re was Chosen Modrater 2.ly it Was Put to Vote Whether Jeams Athern Esq.re. Should apeare In the towns Beharlf at the Infeare Cort to be holden at Edgertown in order to Defend the town aganst a Persentment found a Ganst Sd Town for not keeping Scool in Sd town from Arel to october in the yeare 1768

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

At a Town Meeting Leagly Worned and hild at the Town house in Tisbury On Munday The 4.th Day of March A D 1771 To Act in the Severel Parragrafts Set forth In In the Warrant and Notification the Preceding folloing Vots Ware Pased in the furst Place Jeams Athearn Esq.r Was Chosen Moderater then A Vote was Called to Se if the Town Would

give order for the Slectmen to Direct the Treasure to Pay Elijah Look the Sum of Forty Six Pounds thirteen Shillings and fore Pence for his Serves in Lathing and Plastring the Meeting house in Tisbury & it Pased In the Negative 2ndly a Vote was Called to Make choice of James Atharn Esqr. Massrs. Abijah Athearn and Noah Look to be a Committey In Beharlf of Sd town to Defend any Sut that may Be Comenced a Ganst sd town or that is all Comenced as Allso to agree With Said Elijah Look for the ABove said Service Either by Payment of any Sum of Money or By Reffering the Same Controvercy to the Judgment of Indiffernt Men and it Pased in the Affirmative Entred this 5 Day of March A D 1771 Pr me

JOSEPH ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally Warn'd Assembel'd and held at the Town house in Tisbuary on Monday the Eleventh Day of March in the year A D: 1771. In Order for the choice of Town Officers, And James Athearn Esqr. was chosen Moderator of Said meeting, Then the following Town Officers were chosen by Vote to Serve in their Respective offices in the Town of Sd Tisbuary for the Ensuing year, Viz Ezra Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk, Stephen Luce Ezra Athearn & Joseph Allen Select Men, Benjamin Allen Town Treasurer, Thomas Walrond Constable, Seth Daggett and Jeremiah Manter Wardens, Ransford Smith Barnard Case Barnbas Luce & Hezekiah Luce were chosen Surveyers of highweys Thomas Allen David Merrey Tything Men, and John Luce & William Luce Fence Viewers, Seth Barstow Peter West Surveyers of Lumber Daniel Dunham Enoch Luce hog reves EZRA ATHEARN *T Clerk*

Then Said Meeting was adjorn'd to Monday the 25th Day of Said March for that the Above Said Thomas Walrond not being at Said Meeting to Declare his Acceptance nor Refusale to Serve the Town of Said Tisbuary in the Office of Constable for the Ensuing year and on the Twenty fifth of Sd March met met And at Said meeting the Present Constable made a return that the Afore Said Thomas Walrond Refus'd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Ofice of Constable the Ensuing year, Then at Said Meeting Jethro Athearn Junr. Was Chosen by Vote to Serve Said Town in the Office of Constable and being at Sd. Meeting Declaid his Acceptance to Serve Said Town therein for the Ensuing year, Entred this 25th Day of march A D 1771

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town-Meeting Legally warn'd Assembled and held at the Town house in S^{d} Tisbuary on Thursday ye Nineteenth Day of Sep^{tr} A D 1771 in Order to See if Said Town would Vote any Allowance to the People of Checamoo to Build or Rebuild a School-house and at Said Meeting it Was Voted to the People of Checemoo in the Constablerick of Tisbuary To be Reimbusted to them to Rebuild or Repair their Schoolhouse So much Monney as they Paid in Taxes to Repair the School=house in Said Tisbuary and Each Party to Repair their School houses hereafter and Also the above Said Meeting was to Chuse a Committee to See & keep the Personage house in Tisbury in Repair And Mr Joseph Allen & Mr Benjamin Lumbert were Chosen for that purpose, and at Said Meeting it was Voted that 120$^{L.}$ Lawfull Monney Should be Raised by a Tax to Defray the Necesary Charges arising on Sd Town the Ensuing Year Entred this 19th Day of Sept A D 1771

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Town=house in Tisbuary on Monday y^{e} 30th of December A D 1771 in Order to See Whether the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbuary would Vote an additional Sum of Monney to be Rais'd by a Tax on the Inhabitants of S^{d} Tisbuary to Defray the Necessary Charges Arising on the Town of Tisbuary the Present year and at Said Meeting 20^{ty} Pounds Lawfull Monney was Put to Vote and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative

Tisbuary Sep^{t} 30th A D 1771 the Above Recorded by me

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Att an Anaversary March Meeting Legally warnd and held at the Town: house in Tisbuary on Tuesday ye 24th Day of March A D 1772 in Order for the Choice of Town officers for the Ensuing year, And at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator and then the following Officers were chosen by the Majority of Voters then present Viz: Ezra Athearn Town Clerk Stephen Luce Ezra Athearn Joseph Allen Select Men, Benjamin Allen Town Treasurer, Shobel Cottle Barnard Case Job Look John Luce Samuell Mott Surveyers of High=weys, Jonathan Manter James Manter Tything=men, Abijah Athearn Jeremiah Manter Fence Viewers, Robert Cithcart John Mansfield Sealers of Leather, Peter West Josiah Luce Surveyers of Lumber, Edey Manter Daniel Dunham Enoch Luce Hogreves, Jeremiah Manter Pound=keeper, Isiah Grey was Chosen Constable, Then Said Meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday y^{e} 7th of April following & then mett and at Said Meeting Jethro

Athearn Ju^{nr} was Chosen to Serve for and in the Place of a Constable for Said Grey and Six pence on the Pound, was Voted Said Athearn for Collecting the Towns monney for the year and Said meeting was disolv'd

Dated at Tisbury April y^{e} 7th 1772 pr Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss at A Town=Meeting Legely Warn'd and held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Thirsday y^{e} 8th of October A D 1772 at two of the Clock in the Afternoon in Order to Consider and to Vote So much monney as then Should be thought Nesesary to Defray Said Tisbuary's Town=Charges the year Ensuing and at Said Meeting 120 L was Put to Vote & the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Dated at Tisbuary October y^{e} Eighth day A D : 1772

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Anaversary March=Meeting held in S^{d} Tisbuary at the Townhouse on Wednesday y^{e} 17th of March A D : 1773 and James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting which was for the choice of All Such Town officers as the Law Requires to be Chosen Annually, And firstly Ezra Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk, Stephen Luce Joseph Allen Ezra Athearn were Chosen Select - Men, John Luce Constable, Benjamin Allen Town Treasurer, Seth Look Thomas Allen Elijah Look Fence=Viewers, Thomas Daggett Thos Winston & Nathan Smith Surveyers of Highweys, Benjamin Crowell Russel Hancock & William Rotch and David Merrey wardens Noah Look Benjamin Lumbert Overseers of the Poor, Jeremiah Manter Sam^{ll} Crowell Hogreves, Josiah Luce and Isaac Dagett Surveyers of Lumber, Robert Cithcart & John Mansfield Sealers of Leather, then Said meeting was Adjornd to the Last Tuesday of March Instant at four of the Clock afternoon

Tisbuary Dated March y –17 : A D : 1773 Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Then the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Tisbuary meet at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on the AboveSaid day and time and the Abovesaid John Luce Personally Appeared and Declar'd his Nonacceptance of the office of Constable Then Samuell Look was Chosen Constable to Serve in the Town of Tisbuary for ye Ensuing year, and also Barnard Case was Chosen an Overseer of ye Poor, Then S^{d} meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday the Sixth Day of April Ensuing at Four of the Clock afternoon Tisbuary March ye 30th A D : 1773

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss At an Anaversary March Meeting held at the Town house in Tisbuary on wensday the 17 day of March A D: 1773 and Continu'd by adjornments to April the 6th at four of ye Clock in the Afternoon & then met and at Sd. Meeting Elijah Look was Chosen Constable to Serve in the Room and for the abovesaid Look and for ye Ensuing year

Tisbuary April ye 6th 1773 Ezra Athearn *T Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting Legaly warnd and held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday ye 30th of March 1773 in Order to Chuse a comitte to Settle accompts with the Town Treasurer for the year 1772 & the Select Men of Sd Tisbuary ware Chosen for the purpose and in sd warrant for ye abovesaid meeting it was Inserted for to Chuse Some Person to take Care of Sd Tisbuarys Meeting house in all Respects, and Jeremiah Manter was Chosen for Sweeping Shutting Doors and mending windows all for the Ensuing year at the Towns cost

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

At a Townmeeting Legally warn'd and held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday the Twenty first day of December 1773 and at Sd Meeting and Agreeable to the Warrant it was Voted that £130. Lawful Monney Should be Raised in Order to Defray the Town of Tisbuary's Charges the Ensuing year; and Also it was Voted that Elijah Look Should be a Committee'sman to take Care & keep the Meetinghouse and Schoolhouse in repair Recorded by Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Att an Anaversary March Meeting held at the courthouse in Tisbuary on Wednesday the ninth Day of March A D: 1774 in Order to chuse all Such Town officers as is by Law Required to be Chosen in the month of March annually, And at Said Meeting Ezra Athearn was chosen Moderator Then the Persons herein after named ware chosen by Vote to Serve in their Pespective offices in the Town of Tisbuary for the Ensuing year Viz Ezra Athearn Town Clerk, Stephen Luce Joseph Allen Ezra Athearn Select Men Benjamin allen Town Treasurer, Thomas Look Russel Hancock Over Seers of the Poor, Nathan Smith Constable, Abijah Athearn Matthew Luce fence Viewers Peter West & Josiah Luce Surveyers of Lumber, Robert Cithcart Leather Sealer David Merrey Tything=man, Matthias Rogers and Cornelus Norton hogreavs, Then Said meeting was adjorn'd to wensday the 23d of March Instant Recorded by Ezra Athearn

Town Clerk and Also at Said Meeting it was Voted that no goats Should goe at Large in the Township of Tisbury for the Future Either Winter or Summer and at the Above Said meeting Russel Hancock and Joseph Merrey ware chosen Surveyers of highways and at the Adjornment of the abovesaid meeting Benja Manter & Thomas Allen was Chosen Wardeans for ye Ensuing year

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Warn'd & held by the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Tisbuary At the Courthouse in Said Tisbuary on Wednesday the 19th Day of October A D 1774 at two of the clock in the afternoon in Order to Chuse a Committee for the Town of Tisbuary to Correspond with the Committee of Each Town in Dukes County and the Committees of our Province And at Said Meeting Mr Joseph Allen was chosen Moderator And then it was put to Vote to See wheather James Athearn Esqr Shobal Cottle Esqr Mr Benjamin Allen Mr Abijah Athearn & Mr Benjamin Burges Should be the Said Committee & the Vote passed in the Affirmative And Then the Above Said Committee was Impowred by a Vote to meet the Committees of the Other Towns in Dukes County to Sit in A County Congress to form Such resolves and doe Such things as they in their wisdom Shall think propper to bedone Reletive to our Publick affairs And then Sd Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Second Day of November following

Tisbuary October 19th 1774

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At A Town-meeting of the Freeholders & Other Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbuary Held by Adjornment at the Court-house in S^d^ Tisbuary on the Second Day of November A D 1774 Mr Joseph Allen being Moderator, upon Mo tion made it was put to Vote whether Mr Elisha West Should be A Committee-man to Joyn the Above Said Committee and the Vote passed in Affirmative And Then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Sixth Day of December following for to Recieve the Report of the Said Towns Committee, Tisbuary November ye Second Day 1774

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

For Value Rec^ed^ of the Subscriber do Promise to Pay or Cause to be paid unto Jethro Butler Twenty Six pounds thirteen Shillings & four

pence at or before the Twenty Eighth Day of November Next ensuing and if Not paid then Intrest till paid as witness my hand this Twenty eighth day of november A D 1774

ELIAKIM NORTON

Entred on the Town book of Records in Tisbuary April ye 19th A D 1775

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by Adjornment on Tuesday the Sixth day of December AD 1774 to Recieve the report of the Above Said Committee and at Said Meeting the hereafter Recorded resolves were read Examined & Unamimously Voted by the Inhabitants of Said Town And Ordered to be Recorded on the Town Book

Tisbuary December ye 6th AD 1774 Attest, EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At A Convention of the Committees of the Several Towns in the County of Dukes County in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay: Held by Adjornment at Tisbuary in Said County on the 9th of November 1774 The Said Committee after Serious Consideration of the unhappy State of the Province in general & of Said County in Particular; by means of Certain Acts of the Brittish Parliment more especialy A Late Act Entituled an Act for the better Regulating the goverment of the province of the Massachusetts Bay: Resolved as follows That by the Emigration of Our Ancestors from great Brittain into the parts of America of which the Province of the Massachusetts Bay consists: When thare ware Uncultivated Regions Inhabited only by wild Beasts and Savages in human form: by their Establishing them selves here at their own great expence Submitting to and Enduring with most Remarkable fortitude and Patience the most grevious Toils and hardships. Amidst the greatest dangers: by the great cost and labour of the People of this province Clearing Incosing & Cultivating their Lands here (After a fair purchas hereof of the Indian Propriators) And in Erecting Nessecary & Conveniant Buildings thereon: And by this Peoples Defending at A Vast Expence of their Blood and Treasure their Possesions and Properties thus Aquired.

The Territories Included within this Province which would Otherwise have belonged to no Prince or Princes but Indian Sachems; or

which would have been much worse for Great Brittain would have been Possessed by the Subjects of Some Rival European Prince or State) Are now with but verry Little if any Expence to the Crown or People of Brittain become a verey Valluable Part of the Dominions of the Brittish Monorch which from the first Peopeling thereof by his Subjects hath been Continually Increasing in vallue to the Vaste and growing Emolument of the Crown and People of ye Mother country by A Great Increas of the Trade & commerce and Naval Powers

2^ly^ That therefore (to Say nothing) Concerning the Just Tittle of the ancient collony of the Massachusetts Bay: To the Libertys and Priveledges they at first enjoyed: by Virtue of A Royal Charter which was unjustly Vacated: and which they ware Unreasonally denied a Restoration off. The People of this Province were Antecedently to the Charter Granted then by King William & Queen Mary and Still are by A Right dearly aquired by their Predecessors and themselves Justly Intituled to at least all the Liberties Priveledges Franchises & Imunities as well as to any of ye Lands Granted by Said Charter 3^ly^ That the Late Act of Parliment Attempting an Alteration of our constitution and a violation of Our Charter (Without our being heard or even Cited to appear in defence thereof) is therefore Unconstitutional Unrighteous & Cruel Act or Power. Justly Alarming to us as being manifestly designed to wrest from us our most valluable & dearly bought rights which we have no ways forfited And threatning us with all the Wretchedness of Subjection to Arbitary & Despotick Goverment and A State of Abject Slavery: To Say nothing aboute the Impolicy of Said Act as being Detremental to the Mother countery

4^ly^. That therefore we will not Submit to. but to the utmost of our power in all Just and propper ways Oppose the Execution of y^t^ Unjust and unconstitutional Act and do recomend the Same Resolute Opposition thereto to the People of this county

5^ly^ That no Power or Authority in any ways derived from Said Act of Parliment ought to be Submitted to by any belonging to this County or to be in any way Owned to be Constitutionall: And that when any Man Shall Accept of an Appointment to any Civil Office here: in Conformity to Said Unconstitutionall act and Shall pretend to Exercise any Power or Authority by Virtue thereof he Ought to be in no ways Supported or countenanced therein but Ought to be considred and treated as one Acting by A pretended Outhority only And as an Enemy to his country

6ly That the before mentioned Charter of this Province and the Laws of the Province founded thereon are all of them Constitutionall good and Valid; anything contained in Said act of Parliment to the contrary notwithstanding

7ly That all civil officers in this county holding commissions by an Appointment agreable to Said charter are when Sworn as the Law Directs Legally & constitutionaly Authorized to act in their Respective offices According to their Respective commissions and the Laws of this Province and Ought to be Supported in thus Acting, by the People of the County

8ly the Jurors Ought to be chosen and returned in this County in no other manner then According to the directions of the Laws of this Province with regard to grand & Pettit Jurors respectively

9ly That Town-meetings ought to be held in this county as hath been Usual according to the Directions of the Laws of this Province; And that All grants of Monney made: and all Votes passed in such Meetings agreeable to Said Laws Ought to be considered as good and binding the Said Meeting be Otherwise Called then the Aforesa'd act of Parliment directs, and all Persons who Shall avail themselves of that act in refusing to pay their Proportion of Monney thus granted will by the regard they Shew to that Oppressive act aid and abbet the Enemies of their Countery in Voilating its Just rights Laws and Liberties,

10ly Wee advise the Constables Collectors & Other officers in this county who have or Shall have Monney in their Hands belonging to the Province that thay pay in the Same according to the direction Lately given them by the Provincial Congress or by A Constitutional house of Representatives

11ly With regard to non Importation non Consumption and non Exportation of goods wares and Merchendizes we Earnestly recommend to the People of this county a Strict Conformity of their Conduct & Practice to the Resolutions & Advice of the Late Grand American Congress

12thly And Finally With respect to the State of Embarrasment this Province is in by reason of the Late act of Parlement for altering our Constitution, we Earnestly Recomend it to the People of this County that they take no advantage of any Difficulties attending the Administration of Justice in the Present Unhappy State of our Publick Affairs: And that they Refrain themselves from all Violations and Mobbish Proceedings and from all Acts of unlawfull Outrages and Voiolences; and

from every kind of Injustice and that they be carefull to render to all their dues: and behave themselves in a Quiet Peacable & Orderly manner Shewing Adue regard to Every divine Precept And to the good and wholesom Laws of the Land

Tisbuary 1775

Recorded by Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

And with Respect to the Taxation of the American Colonists by Great Brittan Resolved First. That the People of this Province are not only by a Just national right; but also by the Express words of their Charter Intitaled to have and Injoy all the Liberties and Immunities of free and natural Subjects within any of his Majesty's Dominions to all Intents Constructions and Purposes whatsoever of which Imunities of free and natural Subjects this is most certainly one that no Tax be Imposed on them but with their own consent Given Personally or by their Representetives, 2ly That the brittish Parliment by Imposing Duties on commodities Imported here from Brittan for the Single purpose of Raising a revenue by Leveying upon us: Have Taxed us without our Consent given Either Personally or by our Representatives and have thereby assumed to themselves A Power to dispose of our Property at their Pleasure And have grosly violated one of our most Esential Natural as well as charter rights, 3ly That the Exercise of the Power of Taxing us assumed by the Parliment of Great Brittan ought therefore to be Resolutely & Strenously Opposed by the People of this Province and by every free American Colonistis with respect to the Treatment of the People of Boston by the Blocking up of their Harbour and Sorounding them with an armed force, Resolved That by the Late Act of Parliment for blocking up the Harbour of the Capital of this Province and by the verey Rigourous and unjustifiable Execution thereof the People of that Town are Treated in a verey Oppresive and Cruel manner to the great hurt & Detriment not only of this whole Province but of the Other American Collonies also by Obstructing their Trade & Commerce: and that the People of that Distressed Town Ought to be Considerd by all the Friends of civil Liberty as Sufferers in a Cause Common to all Such: and as therefore Justly Intituled to all the Support & relief they are able to afford them: and as to the Late Proceedings with regard to Canada Resolved That the Extending the Limits of that Province and the Establishment of Arbitary Goverment as well as Popery therein Seems to Threaten the Other British Collonies on this Continent with a Like Sub-

iection to the Despotism of A Frence mode of Goverment and that all the People of these Colonies ought therefore readily & Cheerfully to concur with the measures Adopted by their Delegates at the Late Grand American Congress in Order to bring in the Canadians to Unite with the Other British Colonists in Asserting their common Right and Tittle to all the Privilidges & Immunities of Free brittish Subjects

There are also beside those which we have taken Particular Notice off Divers other verey Injurious and Oppressive Measures with regard to these Collonies: Of Late Adopted and carrying on by the Brittish Ministry concerning which wee hope it will Suffice for us to Declare as wee are so happy as to agree in Sentiment with the Grand American Congress; with respect to these as well as other matters of Publick Greviance So we are Determined to conforn our Conduct to the resolutions which they have Published

With A Special aim at Serving our Constituents the People of the very Small and Poor (tho' Antient) County of Dukes County in their Remote and Obscure Situation; wee who are of the Committees of the Several Towns in that county have passed the before goeing Resolves, but wee have yet also herein Humbly Aimed at Contributing to the Service of Brittish Americans in General in their Contests for their Just Rights and Priviledges to whose Obtaining what they Claim wee Aprehend that their appearing by their Publick Exploit Declarations to agree in their Claims and to be alike Resolved and Persisting in them will be greatly conducive, and wee with the utmoste Sincerity declare that it is with hearty Loyalty to Our Sovereign Lord the King with an high Sence of the Power and dignity of the Brittish Parliment and Ministry and of the Reverence wee Owe them account hereof with Sincear affection and good will to the People of Great Brittan — with great grief and concern on account of the Present unhappy Variance and Strife between that Countery and her American Collonies an Earnest desire of the relation of that happy union Love and harmony formerly Subsisted between them; by A Relation of those Liberties Privilidges Imunities to these Colonies and to this Province in Particular which they Enjoyed till about the year 1763 and from a Sence of Our Duty to God, Our country and our Selves and to future Generations of British Americans as well as the present: Wee have so freely Expressed Our Sentiments with respect to matters of so high Importance and of so Delicate a Nature as the Rights of the Brittish Collonists in America and the Conduct of those Towards them who are in highest Power in the Mother Countery

And that Great Brittain and her Colonies may be blessed with an

happy Union and harmony between them and may respectively enjoy all their Just Rights and Priveledges and every Publick blessing to the end of time and that King George the third our most Rightfull Sovereign may Long and hapily boath for himself and his Subjects reign over the People of his widely Extended Empire: And that his Successors on the Brittish Throne to the Latest Posterity may be Protestants of his Illusterous Race And great good and happy Monarchs by & under whose wise mild and Righteous Goverment their Subjects Shall enjoy great Peace and hapiness is Our most Earnest Prayer to the Supreme ruler of the Universe to which we wish every Britton and Every Brittish American would Sincearly & Devoutly Say A Men

Recorded by Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss At a Townmeeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday ye 14th of Decemb^r^ AD 1774 in Order to Raise A Sum of Monney to Defray the charges of the Town of Tisbuary for the Ensuing year Ezra Athearn being Moderator of Said meeting, on motion made it was put to Vote whether £120 Lawfull Monney Should be Rais'd on the Inhabitants by A Tax & the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town=meeting holden at the courthouse in Said Tisbuary on Febreuary y^e^ 4th AD 1775 at S^d^ Meeting Deacon Smith was chosen Moderator, upon Motion made it was put to Vote to See whether the constable be Directed to Pay the Province Monney to Henry Gardner of Stow as the Province Congress directs & the Vote passed in the Affirmative,

Secondly it was put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbury would Support Said Constable in Collecting Said Towns Monney and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then Said Meeting was adjornd to the first Tuesday in March following at two of the Clock afternoon

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk.*

March ye 7th AD 1775 Met at the abovesaid time & place and at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See wheather the Town of Tisbuary would Send A Delegate to Sit in the Provincial Congress at Concord & the Vote passed in the Affirmative And then it was put to Vote to See wheather Deacon Ransford Smith Should be the Man to Represent the Town of Tisbuary to Sit in the Prvincial Congress at Said Concord And the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Pr Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss at an Annaversary March Meeting Leggally Warnd & held at the Courthouse in Said Tisbuary on Tuesday the Seventh of March A D 1775 at three of the Clock in ye afternoon in Order to Chuse all Such Town Officers for ye Ensuing year as is by Law Required to be chosen in Towns Annually And at Said Meeting Mr Elisha west was chosen Moderator and then the herein after Named Persons ware Chosen to Serve in the Respective Offices for the Ensuing Year Viz Ezra Athearn Town Clerk Shobal Cottle Stephen Luce Joseph Allen Select Men, Benjamin Allen Town Treasurer, Benjamin Lumbert Seth Look Joseph Merrey Fence Viewers, Barnard Case Samuell Look Aaron Norton Surveyers of highways, Noah Look Jonathan Manter Peter West Tythingmen, Elisha West Elijah Look William Rotch Wardens Robert Cithcart Sealer of Leather, Thomas Manchester Josiah Luce Surveyers of Lumber, Sam^ll Lumbert cornelus Norton hogrevs, And at Said Meeting Hezekiah Luce Timothy Lumbert Isiah Gray Peter West Sam^ll Dagett ware Chosen for a committee of Inspection to See that the Continential & Provencial Congress be adheard to,

and at the Abovesaid Meeting Josiah Hancock was Chosen Constable for the Town of Tisbuary for the Current year and then S^d March Meeting was Adjornd to the 14th of March Instant to be holden at the house of Capt Sm^ll Colbs at Six o ' the Clock in the Afternoon

Tisbuary March ye 7th AD 1775 ℘ Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Memorandum at ye abovesd March meeting Noah Look Isaac Daggett Benj^a Burges was Chosen overseers of ye Poor for the Town of Tisbuary for ye Curent year

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury April ye 15th Day A D 1775

For Vallue Recievd I Promise to Pay to Jethro Butler or his Order the Sum of Ninety Pounds Six Shillings & Eght pence Lawful Monney at or before the thertieth Day of November next if not paid then Intrest till paid, as Witness my hand

Aaron Norton

Enterd on the Town Book of Records in Tisbuary this 19th Day of April AD 1775 ℘^r Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Tisbuary Holden at the courthouse in S^d Tisbuary on Thursday the 18th of May AD 1775 Whereof Deacon Stephen Luce was Moderator,

and it was put to Vote agreeable to the notification for Said Meeting to See wheather Said Freeholders and Other Inhabitants would Vote to Send all the out Standing Province Monies in the constables Hands in Said Tisbuary to Henrey Gardner of Stow for the Province use and the Vote Passed in the affirmative and also at Sd Meeting it Was Voted to Support and Endemnify Said out Standing ConStables in Send the Said Towns Province monnies to Said Henry Gardner of Stow

Dated at S^d^ Tisbuary this 13th of May A D 1775

℘. Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Tisbuary Holden at the Courthouse by Adjornment on June the Seventh A D: 1775 in Order to Chuse Some Suitable Person to Represent S^d^ Tisbuary in the Provincal congress to be holden at Watertown Ensuing the Date hereof, and at Said meeting it was put to Vote viz wheather James athearn Should be the Man and the Vote passed in the Afirmative

June y^e^ 7th AD 1775

℘^r^ Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss at a Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd and held, at y^e^ Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Tisbuary On Thursday the 29th of June AD 1775 At four of y^e^ Clock afternoon, In Order to See if Said Town will Chuse a Committee to Joyn with the Committee or Committees that are chosen or may be chosen in the Other Towns in the County, In Order to Consider of & Carrey into Execution Such Methods as they Shall think proper to be done under our present Situation Respecting our Publick Affairs, and at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, And then it was put to Vote to See Wheather Deacon Luce Abijah Athearn and Samuell Look all of Said Tisbuary, Should be the Abovesaid Committee and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then Said meeting was Adjorn'd to the next thursday at Four of ye Clock afternoon at the aboveSaid place, Tisbuary June ye 29th AD 1775 Ezra Athearn Town Clerk Tisbuary ss: Att the Abovesaid Meeting holden by Adjornment on July ye 6th AD: 1775 at four of y^e^ Clock in y^e^ Afternoon and at Said meeting Some Resolves ware then offered by Said committee which ware Read Examin'd and then Voted the Acceptance thereof by the Majority of the Voters then Present, Dated at Tisbuary June y^e^ 6th AD 1775

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held in Tisbuary by Adjornment at the House of Mr Sam^{ll} Manters on Monday the 31st of July A D: 1775

Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator of Said Meeting Said Meeting was Called at the Request of the Provincal Congress, To See Wheather the Town of Tisbury will make their Aportion of A Certain Number of Coats Said Congress had promised the Now Standing Army of Enlisted Soldiers for the Province And at Said meeting it was Voted by the Freeholders then Present that the now Standing Select Men of Tisbuary be A committee to Procure the coats for the Provincal Soldiers

Dated Tisbuary July y^{e} 31st A D 1775

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd Held at the courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants thereof on Monday y^{e} 21st of August AD 1775 at three of the clock afternoon In Order to See if the Town will Vote to Send a Petition to the General Assembly at Watertown To See if they will Grant us a Number of Men to be Raised for the Defence of Said Town or to Act in any Method as the Town Shall think proper in the Affair, whereof Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, and then at Said meeting it was put to Vote to See wheather the Town Should Send A Petition to the General court to Supply us with A Number of Men for our Defence by Sea or Land or boath as they Shall think fitt, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative,

and Also at Said Meeting it was Voted that Ezra Ahearn Stephen Luce Ransford Smith Joseph Allen Thomas Winston Should be a committee to Draw up Said Petition, and Also that Said Committee was Voted to Draw up Some Suitable Instructions for Our Present Representative when at Said court to consider and represent our Circumstances, That wee cannot Supply Said Men with Arms nor Amunition and if they Cannot be Obtaind without them then not have them come, for wee have but A Small Supply for Our Selves and Cannot git any more at Present, The Above Petition & Instructions were Read Exanin'd accepted and Voted by the Majority of the Voters Present at Said meeting

Dated Tisbuary August y^{e} 21st A D 1775

℘ me Ezra Athearn *Town clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warn'd & held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Wensday y^{e} 25th of October AD 1775 in

Order to Vote what Monney the Town Shall think fitt to Raise to Defray the Town charges the Ensuing year and at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator and then it was put to Vote whether one hundred and Twenty pounds Should be Raised on the Inhabitants by a Tax and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Tisbuary October y^e 25th 1775

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd & held by the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Tisbuary, Holden at the court-house in Said Tisbuary on Monday the Eighteenth Day of December 1775 In Order to See if the Town would Prefer a petition to the General court of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England, and at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator, And then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town would Prefer a Petition to the general court to Send us A Committee of that Court to come here & take a View of our Circumstances and Report what Mode of conduct wee Shall pursue in order for our Safety under Our Situation and that the Select Men Prefer the S^d. Petiton in behalf of the Town, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative December y^e 18th A D 1775 Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warn'd and held by the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of S^d. Tisbuary at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Thursday the Eighth Day of March A D. 1776 In order to See If the Town would chuse a committee Either by themselves or to Joyn with the Other Towns Committees in the County if they Shall See Cause to Chuse any to Prefer A Petition to the Generall Court to See if they will grant us A further Supply of Men Arms & Amunition for the Defence of the Island against any Invasion, Deacon Luce being chosen moderator and then it was put to Vote to See if Said Town would Preffer a Petition to Said Court and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then it was put to Vote to See wheather Shobal Cottle Esqr Deacon Ransford Smith and Ezra Athearn Should be the Said Committee and the Vote passed in the Affirmative ℘ EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: at a March Meeting holden at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on the 19th of March AD 1776 for the Choice of Town officers for the Ensuing year and at Said meeting deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, and then the after named Town officers ware Chosen by Vote to

Serve in their Respective offices for the Ensuing year Viz Ezra Athearn Town Clerk, Esqr Shobal Cottle Deacon Stephen Luce & Mr Joseph Allen ware Chosen Select men, Benj^{a}. Allen Town Treasurer Jonathan Manter Constable Barnard Case Noah Look overseers of ye poor, Russel Hancock Hezekiah Luce Aaron Norton Surveyers of highweys, Abijah Athearn Thos. Look William Luce Fence Viewers, Sam^{ll} Dagett Elijah Look Tything men, Robert Cithcart John Mansfield Sealers of Leather, Eanoch Luce Joseph Chase hogreves and then Said March meeting was adjornd to Tuesday the Second Day of April next to be holden at the Courthouse in Said Tisbuary at Four of ye clock afternoon

Dated At Tisbuary March ye 19th AD 1776

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at an Adjornment of the Afore sd March Meeting holden at the Court House in Sd Tisbuary on Tuesday ye Second Day of April 1776 And the Standing Constable made Return that the Aforesaid Jonathan Manter Refusd to to Serve the Town of Tisbury in the office of Constable for the Ensuing year and then at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether John Luce Should Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the office of a Constable for the current year And the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then S^{d} March meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday the 16th of april AD: 1776 Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at an adjornment of the Aforesaid March=meeting to be holden at the Courthouse in S^{d}. Tisbuary on Tuesday y^{e} 16th of April A D 1776 and at Said meeting the Standing Constable made Return that the abovesaid John Luce Refused to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Office of A constable for the Present year And then the Moderator put John Holmes to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would Chuse Said Holmes for A Constable and the Vote passed in the Afirmative and then Said March Meeting was Adjorn'd to the First Tuesday of Sep^{t}ember next

Tisbuary April ye 16th AD 1776

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Att A Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held At the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants On Tuesday ye 25th Day of June A D: 1776 in Order to See if the Town would Chuse a committee to Examine the Accounts of any Persons that Shall bring in their Accounts for Victualing any Persons upon Allarm

the Last year, in Order to Lay them before the General court in order to Draw their money And at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, and then it was put to Vote to See wheather Deacon Stephen Luce Mr Joseph Allen & Ezra Athearn Should be the Said Committee and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Recorded this 22nd Day of June AD 1776 by me

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: at an Adjornment of the Abovesaid March=meeting holden at the Court house in Tisbuary on Tuesday ye Tenth Day of Septr A D: 1776 in Order for the Choice of A Constable for the Current year and at sd Meeting the Standing Constable made return that the above Said Holmes Refused to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the office of A Constable for the Present Year, And then at Said meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would Chuse Mr Francis Norton for A Constable for Tisbuary the Current year and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then Said narch Meeting was Adjorn'd to the 24th Day of September Instant A D 1776

℘ me EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse in Said Tisbuary on Fryday ye Thirteenth Day of December A D. 1776 in Order to take under their most Serious consideration the Sad and Allarming circumstances this county as well as the rest of the country is at present under, and then & thare to consider what mode of conduct this Town with the rest of ye county Shall be thought best to come into for our Preservation if wee are Attack't by the Kings Troops, And to chuse A committee if the Town thinks propper to take the Affair under consideration, Or to Joyn with the other Towns in the county if they See Cause to Act with us, At Sd Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator, And then it was put to Vote to See whether Esqr James Athearn Deacon Ransford Smith Mr Elisha West Should be a Committee to Joyn with the Other Towns Committees in Our County, Or by themselves and with the Commision Officers of the Militia in Sd County, To consider and agree upon whate mode of Conduct the People of this Town with the rest of the County Shall come into in Order for our Preservation if wee Should be Attack't by the Kings Troops,

Enter'd pr me EZRA ATHEARN *Town clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Leggally warn'd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday the Seventeenth day of December A D: 1776 In order firstly to See how much Monney Said - Freeholders woul Vote to be Rais'd to Defray their Town Charges for the year, and at Said meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, and then it was put to Vote whether 150 L: Money Should be Rais'd by a Tax on Said Town and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, Secondly it was put to Vote to See wheather 6 L. = 13 s = 4 d ÷ – L M Should be rais'd by a Tax on Said Inhabitants as an Addition to Mr Damans Sallery for this Present Year and the Vote passed in the affirmative, Thirdly it was Likewise Voted at Said meeting that the People of Homseshole in the Districts of Tisbuary are to provide a School for themselves to Extend Westward as far as Thomas Smiths Samll Looks Silvanus Luces and to Draw their proportion of Monney Out of the Treasury for Said School for Three Years Ensuing the Date hereof,

Fourthly it was Also Voted at Sd. Meeting that James Athearn Esqr. Shobal Cottle Esqr. and Mr Joseph Allen Should be a Committee to Settle the Schools proportion of time between Tisbuary and the Other part of Said Town Called Checemo, for three years Ensuing the Date hereof, and if they Cannot agree, then for them to Chuse a Committee out of Town to Settle Sd. School as they in their Wisdom think propper

Entred pr me Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss To the Collector of the Town of Tisbury in the County Aforesaid Greeting

Required in the name & Goverment of the People of the State of Masachusett Bay in New England you are Required To Collect of the Sevrall Persons named in the list Herewith Committed unto you each one his Respective Proportion therein Set Down of the Sum total of such List being a Tax or Asesment Granted by the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the County Aforesaid for Defraying the Nesecery Charge Arising within the Same And to Deliver and pay In the Sum or Sums which you Shall So Levy and Collect unto Thomas Cooke Esqr Treasurer of the Sd County or his Sucesors in sd office who Is by them appointed to Receve the same and To Compleat and Make up an Account of your Collection of the whole Sums at on or before the Tenth Day of June next and if any Person or Persons Shall Neglect or Refuse to make Payment of the Sum or Sums Wheareat he or they are Respectivly Assessed and Set in Said List to Distraen the Goods or Chattles

of such Person or Persons to the Value thereof and the Distress or Distresses So taken to keep by the Space of four Days at the Cost and Charge of the owner and if the owner Do not Pay the Sum or Sums of money so Asessed upon him within the space of four Days then the Distress or Distresses so taken you are to Expose and openly Sell at an out Cry for Payment of the Money and Charges —— Notice of Such Saile being Posted up in Same Publick Place in sd Town Twenty four hours Before hand and the overplus Coming by the sd sail, If any be besides the Sum or Sums of the Assesment and The Charges of taking and keeping of the Distress and Distresses to be Immediately Restored to the Owner and For want of goods and chattles whereon to make Distress you are to Siese the Body or Bodies of the Person or Persons So Refusing and him or them Commit

To the Common Goal of the s^d^ County their to Remain Untill he or they Pay and Satisfy the Sevrall Sum or Sums wheareat they are Respectively Assessed as As^sd^ Unless upon Application made to the Coart of Generall Sessions of the Peace the Same or Any Part therof Shall be Abated

Dated at Tisbury the 24 Day of March A Dom 1777

STEPHEN LUCE
SHUBAEL COTTLE } *Selectmen for s^d^ Tisbury*
JOSEPH ALLEN

P NAMES	Pole	Money	Real Estate	P Estate
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
Oliver Luce	1	1 - 4		
George Hillmon	1	1 - 4		
Rowland Rogers	1	1 - 4	0 4 - 2	0 2 - 10
Jesse Luce	2	2 - 8	- 9	- 2
Benjamin Foster	1	1 - 4	- 8	- 2
Francies Norton	1	1 - 4	1 - 10	2 - 0
Isaac Robinson	0		1 - 0	- 2
Thomas Gardner	1	1 - 4		
Ezekiel Luce	1	1 - 4	- 3	
Lemuel Buttler	0		3 - 4	1 - 3
Timothy Hillmon	2	2 - 8	- 6	- 7
Jonathan Athearn	1	1 - 4		
Daniel Mantor	1	1 - 4	- 3	
Joseph Look	1	1 - 4	- 9	- 7
William Case	1	1 - 4		
George Daggett	1	1 - 4	- 5	
Solomon Athearn	1	1 - 4		
Matthew Mantor	1	1 - 4		- 4
Thomas Buttler	0	0	- 4	- 3
David Luce	1	1 - 4		

P Names	Pole	Money	Real Estate	P Estate
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
Andrew Newcomb	1	1 - 4		
Sam[ll] Dagget	2	2 - 8	- 10	
Robart Wallrond	1	1 - 4		
Nathan Weeks	1	1 - 4	1 1 0	0 - 2
David Norton	2	2 - 8	- 6	
Shubel Harden	1	1 - 4	- 5	
Thomas Smith	1	1 - 4	- 6	- 3
Benjamin Benson	1	1 - 4		- 2
Aaron Norton	2	2 - 8	2 - 0	- 9
David Dunham	1	1 - 4		
Cornelius Norton Jr	1	1 - 4	2 - 0	- 2
Cornelius Norton	2	2 - 8	2 - 8	- 6
Stephen Rogers	1	1 - 4		
Jeams Case	1	1 - 4		
Joseph Chace	1	1 - 4		- 10
Thomas Wheldon	1	1 - 4	1 - 0	
Mayhew Norton	1	1 - 4	- 10	- 5
Cristopher Buttler	1	1 - 4	- 9	- 4
Zebdial Clevland	1	1 - 4		
John Clevland	1	1 - 4		
Zephaniah Chace	1	1 - 4	- 10	
Zephaniah Luce Jr	1	1 - 4		- 2
John Pope	1	1 - 4		
Eliphelet Leach	1	1 - 4	- 3	
Edmond Perciel	1	1 - 4		
William Harden	1	1 - 4		
Charles Edmonson	1	1 - 4		
George Newcomb	1	1 - 4		
Seth Luce	1	1 - 4		
Jacob Clifford Jr	1	1 - 4		
Robart Athearn	1	1 - 4		
Stephen Look	-		0 - 7	
Thomas Cottle	1	1 - 4		
Jemima Luce	1	1 - 4	- 4	
John Luce Jr	1	1 - 4		
Charles Luce	1	1 - 4		
Bartlet Allen	1	1 - 4		- 8
William Weeks	1	1 - 4	- 4	- 2
Sam[ll] Weeks Jr	1	1 - 4	- 6	- 3
Thomas Winston	1	1 - 4	2 - 6	1 - 8
Elverton Crowell	1	1 - 4		
Jeremiah Rowley	1	1 - 4		
John Mantor	2	2 - 8	- 8	- 6
Ebenezer Allen	1	1 - 4	- 9	
Thomas Buttler Jr	1	1 - 4	0 1 - 2	0 - 5
Nathaniel Skiff	1	1 - 4		
Jeruel West	1	1 - 4		
Lot Rogers	1	1 - 4		
Abisha Dunham	1	1 - 4		
Salvanus Luce	1	1 - 4	- 7	- 2
Shubel Cottle Jr	1	1 - 4		
Jeams Look	1	1 - 4		
Samuel Daggett Jr	1	1 - 4		
Thomas Chace	1	1 - 4		
William Wellpeny	1	1 - 4	0 0 - 10	

P Names	Pole	Money	Real Estate	P Estate
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
Thomas Buttler	1	1 - 4		
Nath[ll] Rogers	2	2 - 8		0 - 1
Ebenezer Dagget	2	2 - 8	- 5	- 2
Thomas Rogers	1	1 - 4		- 3
Peter Norton Esq	0		1 - 8	- 9
Ephream Owens	1	1 - 4		
Cornelius Tillton	1	1 - 4		
John Davis	1	1 - 4		- 6
Levi Young	1	1 - 4		
Isaac Cottle	1	1 - 4		
Abner Cottle	1	1 - 4		
Thomas Smith Jr				
Eunice Coffin	1	1 - 4		
Peter West	1	1 - 4	1 - 3	1 - 5
Jonathan Mantor	1	1 - 4	3 - 0	3 - 3
Zachariah Smith	1	1 - 4		
Malicca Luce	1	1 - 4		
Stephen Pease	1	1 - 4		
Robart Look	1	1 - 4		
Barzillia Crowell	1	1 - 4		
Augustas Allen	1	1 - 4		
Job Norton	1	1 - 4		
Lemuele Luce	1	1 - 4		
Adonijah Luce	1	1 - 4		
Jabez Walrond	1	1 - 4		
Silas Daggett	1	1 - 4		
Asa Luce	1	1 - 4		
William Russell	0		0 1 - 8	0 - 0 - 10
Ceaser Negro	1	1 - 4		

This forgoing Bill Being A County Tax Containing the Sume of £37 - 10 made and Compleated This 20th Day of March A Dom 1777 By us

Stephen Luce — *Selectmen*
Joseph Allen — *for*
Shubael Cottle — *Tisbury*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annaversary March Meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Thursday y[e] Twenty Seventh Day of March AD: 1777 at one of the Clock afternoon, In order to Chuse all Such Town Officers as the Law Requires for the year And at Said Meeting Ezra Athearn was Chosen Moderator and then it was Voted that Ezra Athearn Should be Town Clerk and then it was Voted that Shobael Cottle Esq[r] Should be a Selectman and then it was Voted that Josiah Hancock Should be A Colector to Serve in the Stead of Benjamin Allen to collect the Towns Taxes for the year 1776. & then it was Voted that 6[d] on the pound Should be for the Colector for colecting S[d] Taxes,

And then at Said Meeting it was Put to Vote to See whether Hezekiah Luce Should be Chosen Constable for the Year 1777 and the Vote passed in the affirmative, And then all Such Town Officers were Chosen as the Law Requires, Viz: Benj[a] Allen Town Treasurer, Benj[a] Manter and William Luce Surveyers of highweys, Ransford Smith & Benj[a] Lumbert Fence Viewers John Mansfield & Robert Burges Sealers of Leather, Hugh Cithcart Pound=keeper, Jacob Clifford and Enoch Luce Hogreves, And then Said Town=meeting was Adjorn'd to be holden at the Court-house in Said Tisbuary on Fryday y[e] 11th of April next at Four of the Clock afternoon

℘[r] Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

And at Said Adjornment James Athearn and Abijah Athearn was chosen Select Men for the year as Above to wit 1777 and also at Said Meeting James Athearn Ransford Smith Benjamin Allen Isaac Dagett Benj[a] Burges were chosen A committee for Tisbuary, And at this Adjornment the Vote was Reconsider'd and Voted nul & Void

Tisbuary April y[e] Eleventh A D: 1777

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

At A Meeting of us the Subscibers Select Men of the Towns of Edgartown & Tisbuary to Preambulate the Line between Said Towns & Renew the Bounds, Have agree'd on the Same in the following manner and form Viz Begining at the Head of a Small Cove of water called Aushoepin cove near the Lower part of watcha Neck and to run on a Streight Line to the Mill Parth so called To a a place on the Noath Side of S[d] Parth where once Stood A Pine Tree and Where Simon Newcombs Path Cross'd S[d] Mill parth Now a Stake Standing with Stones about it, as Witness Our Hand this 29th Day of May A D 1777

Brotherton Daggett
Benjamin Smith
Ebenezar Norton
} *Select Men for Edgartown.*

James Athearn
Shubael Cottle
Abijah Athearn
} *Select Men for Tisbury.*

Recorded pr Order of the Select Men

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd and Held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders & Other Inhabitants of Tisbuary and Districts thereof on Fryday y^e 19th Day of December A D 1777 In Order to Consider of the Expedency of Granting to Each District one one Certain part of this Town the proportion of the Monney by them paid for the Support of the School and they be allow'd to Provide for themselves in that, And at Said Meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator, And then it was put to Vote to See whether that part of of the Town Called Checemo and so far Westward Including William Luce Joseph Luce & Matthew Luces in the Districts of Tisbuary be Allow'd to Draw out of the Treasury in Tisbuary their Proportion of Monney by them paid for the Suport of the School and they to provide for themselves in that three years Ensuing the Date hereof and the Vote passed in the Affirmetive,

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Tisbuary & Districts thereof on Fryday ye Thirteenth Day of January AD: 1778 at One of ye Clock afternoon on S^d. Day Then and thare to Consider if it be Just & Reasonable to Make any Addition to the Nominal Sum of the Reverend Mr George Damans Former Sallerey the Current year, And thare to Vote Said Sum that may be agreed upon, And also to Vote what Other Monney may be proper to Defray the Town Charges — — and at Said Meeting Deacon Ransford Smith was Chosen Moderator And then it was put to a Vote to see whether the Voters then Present would Vote the Sum of One Hundred & Forty Six Pounds-Thirteen Shillings & four pence be an Adition to Mr Damans Sallary the Current Year he Relinquishing any Claim to any Sum of Monney heretofore Granted him at A Town=meeting past Some time Since for the Same Sum and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And also at Said Meeting and Agreeable to y^e Warrant for Calling the Same it was put to Vote to See whether Four Hundred Pounds Should be Rais'd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary by A Tax to Defray Tisbuarys Town Charges this Current Year and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Attest ℘^r me EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At an Annaversary March Meeting Legally warn'd and held at the courthouse in Tisbury on Fryday ye 20th Day of March AD

1778 at two of the clock afternoon In order to chuse all such Town Officers for Tisbuary as are Required to be chosen in Towns in this State yearly

and at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was chosen Moderator and then it was put to Vote to See whether Ezra Athearn Should be Town Clerk and the Vote passed in the Affirmative And then it was put to Vote to See whether James Athearn Esqr Shobal Cottle Esqr Mr Abijah Athearn Should be Select Men for the Current Year and the Vote passed in the Affirmative And then it was put to Vote to See whether Samuell Manter Junr Should be Constable for the Current Year and the Vote passed in the affirmative and it was Voted that Benjamin Allen Should be Town Treasurer and it was also Voted that Shobal Cottle Joseph Allen Ezra Athearn Should be A committee to Settle accounts for the Town with the Town Treasurer Sam^{ll} Lumbert Russel Hancock Sam^{ll} Look Chosen Surveyers of highways Timothy Lumbert William Luce ware also chosen Fence Viewers Jonathan Manter Joseph Chase Benj^{a} Crowell ware Chosen Hogreaves Josiah Hancock was also Chosen Pound keeper and then Said Town-meeting was Adjorn'd to Fryday the 3^{d} Day of April next at three of the Clock after noon to be holden at above S^{d} Courthouse

℘^{r} me Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss At an anaversary March Meeting Continu'd and held by adjornment at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Fryday ye 3^{d} Day of April AD 1778 at Four of the Clock afternoon James Athearn Esqr being Moderator and at Said meeting the Above Said Samuell Manter Junr Appeard and Declar'd his Nonaceptance of the office of Constable for the Town of Tisbuary, and then Cornelus Dunham was Nominated for A Constable, And it was put to Vote to See whether Said Dunham Should be Chosen Constable to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in Said office for the current year and the Vote passed in the affirmative and then Said March Meeting was adjorn'd to fryday the 17th Day of April Instant at Three of the Clock afternoon Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warn'd & held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Fryday y^{e} 3^{d} Day of April A D 1778 (James Athearn Esqr Moderator,) To See if y^{e} Town will Vote the Sum of Four Pounds Nine Shillings & Six pence for which Sum the Town is already Taxed over the Sum Voted by the Town to Defray Tisbuary's Town

Charges A Vote being Call'd thereon & it passed in the Affirmative, Voted also at S^{d} Meeting that Six Pounds one Shilling be Granted to Josiah Hancock to make good Said Sum it being counterfit which he Recievd as constable, He Endorsing his Recept thereof to the Town or Treasurer, Voted also at S^{d} Meeting that 133^{L} = 6^{s} = 8^{d} be Appropriated for the Use of the School in Tisbuary and to be Draw'd out of the Towns Monney already Voted for the year 1778

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annaversary March Meeting for the year 1778 Continu'd and held in Tisbuary by adjornment at the Courthouse on Fryday y^{e} 17th Day of april Instant at Four of the Clock afternoon James Athearn being Moderator, And at Said Meeting the Above Said Cornelus Dunham appear'd and Declar'd his Nonacceptance of the office of Constable for the Town of Tisbuary, And then George West was Nominated & put to Vote to See whether Said West Should be chosen Constable for the Town of Tisbuary and the Vote passed in the Affirmative by the Major part of the Voters then present and then Said Town=meeting was adjorn'd to Monday the 27th of april Instant at four of the Clock afternoon to be holden at Said Courthouse

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Anavarsary March Meeting for the Year 1778 continud and held in Tisbuary by Adjornments at the Courthouse on Monday y^{e} 27th of april Instant at four of the Clock afternoon and at Said Meeting the Standing Constable made return that the Aboves'd George west Refus'd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the office of Constable for the current year and then after Some Debate Said meeting was Adjorn'd to fryday y^{e} first Day of May next Ensuing the Date hereof, to be holden at the courthouse in Tisbuary at Five of the Clock afternoon pr EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Anaversary March=meeting Continu'd & held by Adjornments in Tisbuary at the Courthouse on Fryday y^{e} first Day of May AD 1778 James Athearn being Moderator of S^{d} Meeting and at Said Meeting the Standing Constable made return that the Above Said George West Refus'd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the office of a Constible for the year 1778 — And then Ezekiel Luce of Tisbuary was put to Vote for a Constable & the Vote passed in the Affirmative that

Said Ezekiel Luce Should be Constable for the Town of Tisbuary for the Year 1778 and then Said Tisbuary's annaversary's March=meeting was Adjorn'd to fryday the fifteenth Day of May Instant at Five of y^e Clock afternoon

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Anaversary March=meeting for the year 1778 Contnu'd and held by Adjornment at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Fryday y^e fifteen Day of May Instant at five of the clock afternoon and at Said Meeting after Some Debate Said meeting was Adjorn'd to tuesday y^e 19th of May Instant to be holden at the Courthouse in Tisbuary at Six of the Clock afternoon

℘^r me EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

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Tisbuary ss At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Courthouse in S^d Tisbuary on Wednesday y^e 25th of november AD 1778 at two of the Clock afternoon in Order to consider and Vote what Monney Said Town Should think Reasonable to Raise with the Nominal Sum of the Reverend M^r. George Damans former Sallerey the Current year, then and thare to Vote Said Sum that Should be agreed upon, and also to Vote what Monney there Should be Needful to Defray Town Charges the Current year, And Likewise to Consider the Request of Mr Ebenezar Skiff on the Account of the Fall of Monney Due to him for Teaching a School in S^d Town, and also to Chuse a committee to apportion the Monney Rais'd for schooling between the Several Districts for Schooling in Said Tisbuary, And at S^d. Meeting Shobael Cottle Esqr. was Chosen Moderator, and then it was put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present at S^d. Meeting would give the Reverend M^r. Daman Three hundred Pounds Lawfull Monney for this Present year Including his former Sallerey & the Vote Passed in the affirmative And then it was Put to Vote to See whether S^d Town would Cut and Cart Ten Cord of Wood to S^d. Mr Damans Dore for his fireing the Ensuing Winter & the Vote passed in the Affirmative And then it was put to Vote whether Russel Hancock & Cornelus Dunham Should be a Committee to procure Said Wood to Mr Damans Dore & the Vote passed in the Affirmative

and also at Said Meeting it was Voted that Benj^a. Lumbert Benjamin Burges & Cornelus Dunham Should be a Committee to wait on the Rev-

erend Mr Daman with the Minutes of the Above S^{d} Votes for his Acceptance or non Exceptance

the AboveS^{d} Meeting Stands adjornd to wednesday the Second Day of December Ensuing the Date above

Pr Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met to held a Townmeeting by Adjornment from Wednesday ye Second Day of December A D: 1778 Esqr Shobal Cottle being Moderator of Said Meeting to be holden at the courthouse in Tisbuary at two of the Clock afternoon And at Said Meeting of the Freeholders it was put to Vote to See whether Three Hundred Pounds Lawfull Monney Should be Rais'd on the Town of Tisbuary to Defray the Charges Arisen & arising the year and the Vote passed in the affirmative

Pr me Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Leggally warn'd & held at the Courthouse in Tisb^{r} on Wensday y^{e} Second Day of December A D. 1778 in Order to See if the Town will Vote that the Loss of Stock & hay Sustaind in this Town Shall be Everedg'd on the Oxen Cows and Sheep in Said Town and Hay, & Likewise to Chuse a Committee to Examine and Collect an Account of what is Lost that the Same may be Adjusted Accordingly, And at Said Meeting Esqr Shobael Cottle was Chosen Moderator, and then it was Put to Vote to See whether Esqr James Athearn Esqr Shobal Cottle Cornelus Dunham Thomas Jones Samuell Look, Should be the Said Committee and the Vote passed in the affirmative And then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to Wednesday ye 30th of December Ensuing the Date above to be holden at the Courthouse in S^{d} Tisbuary at two of the Clock afternoon in Order to Reecieve the Report of the Above sd Committee

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday ye 21st Day of December AD 1778 at two of the Clock afternoon James Athearn was Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting & then It was put to Vote to See if the Town of Tisbuary would Chuse A Committee of Inspection on the Account of the Small Pox now in Edgartown & Chilmark To Inspect watch & Examine any Travelers from Town to Town in Order to prevent Said Small Pox com-

ing into S^{d} Tisbuary And to Turn back any Suspicious Persons & and to Let pass Credible Persons on Special ocasions and then James Athearn Esqr Abijah Athearn John Manter Russel Hancock Hezekiah Luce William Foster ware chosen by Vote for the aboves'd committee

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Leggally warn'd and held in Tisbuary on Monday y^{e} 25th of January A D: 1779 and at Said Meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr was chosen Moderator and at Said Meeting it was Put to Vote to See whether Mr Benj^{a} Burgess Should be a committee Man to Joyne with the above Committee & the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would Send an Agent to the General Court at Boston and the Vote passed in the affirmative, and then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town would Send Esqr Shobal Cottle with Such Instructions as Said Town hereafter Should give him and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then Said meeting was Adjornd to the Next Monday Ensuing the Date hereof to be holden at the Courthouse in Tisbuary at two of the Clock afternoon

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=meeting held by Adjornment at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday y^{e} first Day of Febreuary AD: 1779 at two of the clock afternoon and at Said meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator by reason of the former Moderators being Absent And then it was put to Vote to See whether Joseph Allen Should be a Select Man (in the Room of James Athearn Esqr he being Sick of the Small Pox,) and the Vote passed in the affermative that Allen Shoul be a Select Man for this year till March And then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town would Reconsider a Vote pssed that Esqr Shobal Cottle Should be and Agent to Represent Tisbuary at the Generall Court now Sitting at Boston and Said Vote was Negativ'd to be nul & Void. And then Said Town-meeting was Adjorn'd to be holden at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday y^{e} 8th Day of Febreuary Instant at three of the Clock afternoon

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting held by Adjornment at the courthouse in Tisb^{r} on Monday y^{e} 8th Day of Feb^{r} AD 1779 Deacon Luce

being Moderator Then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would Send an agent to the Generall Assembly at Boston to Represent the Case they are now in and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative & then it was put to Vote whether Esqr Shobael Cottle Should be the Man and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then it was put to Vote to See whether Deacon Luce Mr Benjamin Allen & Mr Benjamin Burges Should be A Committee to give Said Agent Instructions Respecting our Loss by the Kings Troops and being freed from Taxation &c &c &c:

and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative And then it was put to Vote and Voted that Said Agent Should Draw out what Monnies now is in Tisbuarys Treasury and to pay him the Remainder of his charge out of the first Monney that is paid into the Treasury

Dated at S^{d} Tisbuary ye 8th Day of Feb^{r} AD 1779

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisb^{r} on Tuesday ye 30th of March A D 1779 in order to chuse all Such Town officers as by Law is Requir'd to be chosen in the Month of March Annually and at S^{d} Meeting Mr Benjamin Lumbert was Chosen Moderator Viz^{d} Ezra Athearn Town Clerk James Athearn Esqr Shobal Cottle Esqr Mr Malatiah Davis ware Chosen Select men Benjamin Allen Town Treasurer Cornelus Dunham Constable Barnard Case Hezekiah Luce Edmond Cottle Sam^{ll} Look Surveyers of highweys, Eliakim Norton Russel Hancock and Joseph Look Fence Viewers Eliakim Norton & John Luce Swine Constable & Josiah Hancock Pound keeper and Said meeting was Adjornd to the 10th Day of April next to be holden at the Courthouse at three of the Clock afternoon EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

At Tisbuary's Anaversary's March=meeting holden at the courthouse by Adjornment y^{e} 10th Day of April A D 1779 Francis Norton was Chosen Constable and being present at Said meeting Refus'd to Serve in the Office of Constable and then John Manter was Chosen for a constable and he being present also Refus'd to Serve y^{e} town in the Office At Said Meeting Cornelus Dunham was Chosen for A Select Man for ye year And then it was put to Vote to See whether Jonathan Luce Should be Constable for ye present Year & the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then Said Meeting was Adjornd to the third Tuesday of may AD 1779 p^{r} me

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss At A Town-Meeting Legally warn'd & held at the Town-house in Tisb^{r} on Fryday ye 14th Day of May A D 1779 at three of the Clock afternoon in order to Consider what Method may be thought best to be done to Continue the Reverend Mr George Daman in the work of the Gospel Ministrey in Tisbuary & to Vote wahat then Should be thought proper thereon, and at S^{d} Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator And then it was put to Vote to See whether Shobal Cottle Esqr Deacon Luce Deacon Smith Barnard Case Elijah Look Should be a Committee to wait on the Reverend Mr Daman to Desire of him what Terms or Conditions he would propose would maintain him Honourably that he may be Able to Carry on the work of the Gospel Ministree in Said Tisb^{r}, and the Vote passed in the affirmative and then Said Meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday ye 18th Day of May Inst at three of the Clock afternoon to Receieve the Report of S^{d} Committee Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: At the Abovesaid Adjornment holden at the Courthouse on Tuesday ye 18th of May Instant Said Committee made Report that the Reverend Mr George Daman Propos'd that If ye Town would Give him the Parsonage in Tisbuary and find him firewood yearly and make his Sallerey good for the future he would Relinquish half his Sallerey ye present year

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss at the Abovesd Adjornment holden at the Courthouse in Tisb^{r} on Thursday ye 27th of May A D 1779 the Above proposals ware Negetiv'd and then at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See Wheather the Town of Tisbuary would Pay or Give Mr Daman our Reverend Pastor Fifty Pounds Monney Yearly for three years Successively Exclusive of his yearly Sallerey, To be paid in Spannish Mill'd Dollers at the Rate of Six Shillings p^{r} Doller, or Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings & Eight pence p^{r} Ounce, or in Other Specia equivelant with this Pronise that he Continues in the Work of ye Ministree in Tisbuary, And the Vote passed in the Affirmative, Voted also at Said Meeting that the Town of Tisbuary allow or pay Mr Daman Fifty three Pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence to be paid in Spannish Mill'd Dollers at the Rate of Six Shillings pr Doller, for his yearly Sallerey to begin the first of October Last or in other Specia Equivolent he Relenquishing what was Voted by the Town

of Tisbuary for his Sallerey in November Last past A D 1778, Voted also to give Shobal Butler $25^{L} = 0 = 0$ L M for the use of his house for a Sick Person with the Small pox

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town=meeting of y^{e} Freeholders of Tisbuary holden at the Courthouse by Adjornment on Tuesday y^{e} first Day of June A D: 1779 and at Said Meeting after Some Debate on the Buisness then to be transacted it was thought Advisable to Adjorn S^{d} Meeting for further Consideration and then it was put to Vote whether Said Meeting Should be Adjornd to Fryday y^{e} 11th Day of June A D 1779 And the Vote passed in the Affirmative

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=meeting Legally warnd & held by Adjornment at the Town=house in Tisbuary on Fryday y^{e} 11th Day of June AD: 1779 To Consider what might be Thought Propper & Adviseable in order to Enable the Reverend Mr Damans to Continue among us Still in the work of the Ministree, and at Said Meeting Voted that this Town Still Adhear to their Vote past in A Town=meeting in May Last past To wit to give to Said Mr Daman the Sum of Fifty Pounds L Monney yearly for three years to be paid in Spannish Milld Dollers or Other Coin Equivelent at the rate of Six Shillings p^{r} Dollers to make good his former Sallerey, And that his Former Sallerey Viz The Sum of $53^{L} = 6^{s} = 8^{d}$ be paid him Yearly in Silver or Gold Equivolent at the rate Above mentioned And at the Same time Voted that after the Expiration of S^{d} three years in the time Mentioned for payment of the Above mentioned $150^{L.}$ That this Town will make good the Aforesaid Sum of $53 = 6 : 8$ equal to produce before the present War Voted Further that Mr Daman have the Liberty to preach to the Inhabitants of Edgartown one Quarter Part of the year for his Own profitt Voted also that he preach one Fourth part of y^{e} year at Some part of the Northward & Eastward part of this Town it is Further to be understood that this Town have a right to Restrain the Reverend Mr Daman from Preaching in Edgartown at any time when they See Cause to make his Sum of $\overset{L.}{53} = \overset{s}{6} = 8$ Equal to what it was before the present War equal to produce Voted also that the Sum of 700^{L} be added to the Sum of three hundred already voted to Defray Town Charges

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Att A Town Meeting Warn'd & held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Thirsday y^{e} 22^{d} Day of July A D 1779 To See if the Town of Tisbuary will agree to Reconsider Some or all the Votes past in the Last Town meeting in the 11th of June AD 1779 and at Said meeting Joseph Allen was chosen Moderator And then it was put to Vote whether Some or all the Votes past in the Last Town Meeting be reconsiderd and the Vote passed in the affirmative, And then it was put to Vote whether all Said Votes be Reconsiderd & made nul & Void and the vote passed in the Affirmative and at Said meeting Voted to give Mr Damon Two Thousand Dollers or Four hundred Pounds in the Old Tenor in Indian Corn at 27 Shillings p^{r} Bushel old Tenor & Rie at 30 shillings pr Bushel old Tenor Beaf at 20^{d} pence old Tenor, Pork at 3^{s} pr pound old Tenor Wool at 9^{s} pr pound old Tenor flax at 6^{s} pr pound old Tenor and Other produce of the Land Equivolent and then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Second Thursday in September next to be holden at the Townhouse in Tisbuary at two of the Clock afternoon

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on the 26th Day of August A D 1779 in Order to See if the Town of Tisbuary would Pettition to the General Court of Our State

that Said Town may be Excus'd from Paying Taxes to Said State the Present year, and at Said meeting Mr Shobal Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting and then it was put to Vote to See whether James Athearn Esqr & Shobal Cottle Esqr be Chosen to Pettition S^{d} Court that Tisbury be Excused from paying Taxes to S^{d} State this present year and th Vote passed in the Affirmative

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss At A Town Meeting Legally warnd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse on the Ninth Day of Sep^{t} A D 1779 in Order to See that Some Care be taken for the Poor of Tisbuary, and to Vote A Sum of Monney out of the Treasury for their Immediate Support, and at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See wheather Fifty-Pounds be Drawd out of the Treasury forthwith by Esqr Shobal Cottle for the use of the Poor and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: at A Town meeting of the Freeholders of Tisbury Legally warnd & held by Adjornment at the Town=house in Tisbuary on the Second Thursday in September A D 1779 Joseph Allen Moderator and at Said meeting it was put to Vote to See whether Joseph Allen Barnard Case & cornelus Dunham Should be a Committee in behalf of the Town of Tisbury to make the Reverend Mr Daman an Offer to Leave the Dificulty Subsisting between Said Town & Mr Daman To A Committee Chosen by Each Party to Settle what Mr Daman Should have Considering him a Sufferer with his People Since the war by reason of the fall of Monney and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then Said meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday y^{e} 28th of Sep^{t} Instant to be holden at the Townhouse in Tisb^{r} at two of the Clock afternoon in Order to Recieve the Report of y^{e} Committee

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk.*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting of the Freeholders of Tisbuary Legally warnd and held by Adjornment at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday y^{e} 28th of September A D 1779 in Order to Recieve the Report of the abovesaid Committee and at Said Meeting Said Committee Made Report that they had agree'd with the Reverend Mr Daman and had mutally Chosen Mr Jonathan Allen of Chilmark Esqr, and Mr Thomas Cook and Mr Benjamin Smith of Edgartown to be the Committee to Settle what Mr Daman Should have Reletive to his Sallerey, Considering him A Sufferer with his People Since the Present war by Reason of the fall of Monney And also had Appointed Wednesday the Sixth Day of October next to Meet at the house of Capt Samuell Cobbs to make their Pleas on boath Sides before Said Committee, and then it was put to Vote to See whether Mr Joseph Allen Barnard Case & Cornelus Dunham Should be A Committee to Espouse the Town of Tisbuarys cause before Said Committee and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to Fryday y^{e} Eighth Day of October Ensuing to Recieve the Report of the Committee Chosen by Each party

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting of the Freeholders of Tisbuary Legally warnd and held at the Town house in Tisbuary on Fryday y^{e} 29 day of October A D 1779 in Order to Consider of the Proposals thare to be made by the Revernd Mr George Damans for his further Support in the work of the Ministree in the Town of Tisbuary, and at Said Meet-

ing to Vote what Shall be thought propper thereon, And at Said Meeting Esq$^{r.}$ Shobal Cottle was Chosen Moderator, And then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would pay Mr Damans in Produce of the Land for his Sallerey y^{t} is Due in October A D 1779 to be paid at the price that produce generaly Sold for when Said Mr Damans first Settled in the work of the Gospel Ministree in Tisbuary and the Vote passed in the Affirmative Voted Also at Said Meeting to give Mr George Damans Fifty Pounds a year Succesively for three years Ensuing to be paid in Spanish Mill'd Dollers or Paper Monney Equivolent as an Adition to his former Sallerey by reason of the fall of monney, He Relinquishing all Votes past for the Raising of Monney as an Adition to his Sallarey Since the first of November AD 1778, Voted also at Said meeting to Cut & Cart Ten Cord of Wood to Mr Damans Dore on the Towns Cost Voted that Mr Benjamin Burges be A Committee Man to Procure S^{d} wood Vote also at S^{d} Meeting that Mr Benj^{a} Allen Malatiah Davis Esqr and the Now Standing Select Men & Mr Benj^{a} Burges & Barnard Case Jonath Foster be A Committee to View Mr Damans House & Repair it as they Shall See needful at the Towns Cost And Also at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether Twenty=Eight Hundreds Pounds Monney Including what is already Voted on the Town Book for to Defray Town Charges be Rais'd, on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary for the years past and the Vote passed in the Affirmative Voted that the Town Clerk Serve Mr Damans with a Coppy of the Above votes,

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=meeting Legally warnd Assembled and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Febreuary the First Day A D 1780 in Order for the Raising of Monney to Defray Town Charges for the year 1778 in Adition to a Sum of Monney Already Voted for the Same year, And at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then it was put to Vote to See whether the Sum of 2250 Pounds L M Monney Should be Voted to be Raisd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary and the Vote passed in the Affirmative,

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse in Said Tisb^{r} on the Second Day of March A D: 1780 at one of the Clock afternoon In Order to Consider of Some Proposals made to the Town of Tisbuary by the Rev-

erend Mr George Damans in October Last, Relative to his Support in the Ministree in Tisbuary, and to Vote what then Should be thought propper thereon, and at Said Meeting Deacon Ransford Smith was Chosen Moderator, And then it was Put to Vote to See whether Said Town Should find Mr Damans his Fire wood to his Dore untill A Lott of wood be provided by Said Town at Some Conveniant Distance from his House and for his Use During his Ability in the Ministree in Tisbuary And the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And Also At Said Meeting it was Put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary Should Pay the Said Mr Damans his Originall Salary in the Produce of the Land Equal to what it was before the Present War or in Monney Equivolent thereto, and so to Continue and Remaine During his Continuance in the work of the Ministree in the Town of Tisbuary, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

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Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse in S^{d} Tisbuary on the 24th of of March A D: 1780 In Order for the Choice of Town Officers for the Ensuing Year, And at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, And then was Chosen all Such Town Officers as are herein After Named Viz^{d} Ezra Athearn Town Clerk Shobal Cottle Esqr Cornelus Dunham Thomas Jones Select Men Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer; Isiah Gray Matthew Merrey Fence Viewers, Josiah Hancock Hezekiah Luce Joseph Chase Surveyers of high=weys; Benjamin Lumbert William Luce Swine Drivers, Esqr Shobal Cottle Joseph Allen Ezra Athearn to Settle with the Town Treasurer Treasurer for the year 1779 Russel Hancock Pound Keeper, Josiah Hancock & Joseph Look to Inspect the Behaviour of Boys on the Lords Days in time of Service, James Athearn Esqr: Joseph Allen Benj^{a} Allen Cornelus Dunham Thomas Dagett Thomas Joner william Foster & Ezekiel Luce to take their turns to Stay at the Meeting house to See thare be no Disorder on the Lords Days between the Intermission time of Worship And Also at Said Meeting Edmond Cottle was Chosen Constable to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the office of Constable for the year A D: 1780, And then Said Meeting was Adjornd to Fryday y^{e} Seventh Day of April Ensuing to be holden at the Townhouse in Tisbuary at three of the Clock Afternoon

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting holden by Adjornment at the Town House in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Fryday y^{e} 7th of April 1780 at three of the Clock afternoon in order for the Choice of Town officers Deacon Stephen Luce being Moderator and then it was put to Vote to See whether Deacon Stephen Luce Should be A Select Man in the Room of Cornelus Dunham (who Refus'd to Serve) and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And also at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether John Dunham Should be Chosen Constable to Serve in the Room & Stead of Abovesd Edmond Cottle & the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then Said Meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday ye Sixth day of June A D 1780 p^{r} me

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally warn'd & held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday ye 6th of June A D 1780 Deacon Stephen Luce being Moderator, and then it was put to Vote to See whether Said Town of Tisb^{r} would Chuse a Committee to Treat with the People of Homseshole to know what the Cause is that they Refuse Paying Taxes to the Ministree, and what would be Satisfactory to them and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then it was put to Vote to See whether Mr Benjamin Burges & Ezra Athearn Should be S^{d} Committee and the Vote passed in the Afirmative, and Also it was Voted they Should Make report of their doeings at the next Town=meeting

attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warnd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse on the Nineteenth of July A D 1780 and at Said Meeting and agreeable to the Warrant for Calling the Same it was Voted by the Voters then present that the Selectmen of Tisbuary Shall hereafter have Liberty and power from Said Town to give Orders to all Collectors that they may accept as monney all Orders Drawn in favour of any Man for Monney already advanced or to be advanced or Service done by any Man Or Stuff Procur'd for the Town and Sign'd by them as Select men and to Discharge their Bills thereby

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Town house in Said Tis^{br} on the first Tuesday of September AD. 1780 to See what Monney Shall be thought

Nesecary to be Voted to Defray the Said Towns Charges for time past and this present year to be Voted and paid in Silver Monney or produce, and Also at S^{d} Meeting to See what Method the Town will take to provide for two of John Rogeses Children that is now on the Towns Cost at the Rate of two Silver Dollers p^{r} week Either to Vandue them off at the Lowest bidder or to provide for them Some other way as then Shall be thought most proper and at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator and after Some Debate on the Above Premises Said meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday y^{e} 19th Day of this present Sep^{t}

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warnd and held at the Town house in Tisbuary on Fryday y^{e} 29th of September AD 1780 and at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator And then it was put to Vote to See whether Two Hundreds of Pounds in Monney Should be Rais'd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary as a Tax to Defray Town Charges for the Past and Current year to be paid in Silver Monney or Produce, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and also at Said Meeting it was Voted that Benjamin Lumbert and Thomas Jones Should be a committee to Procure Ten Coard of wood to Mr Damans Dore Soon and on the Towns cost and further at S^{d} Meeting it was Put to Vote to See Whether the Town would Vote that Thomas Jones Draw the Monney Belonging to the Town now in the the Hands of James Athearn Esqr and to Deliver the Same to Mr Damans towards his Sallerey for 1778: According to the Vallue of the Monney and take his Recept and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=Meeting Legally warnd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse on Tuesday y^{e} 2nd Day of January A D 1781 Deacon Stephen Luce being Chosen Moderator and then it was put to Vote to See whether Mr Malatiah Davis Barnard Case Benjamin Burges Should be a Committee to Joyn the Standing Committee to Inspect & Examine the Accounts that any Person or Persons may have against the Town of Tisbuary and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

And Also at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Town would give the committee Already chosen (To wit Benj^{a} Lumbert

and Thomas Jones) full Power to agree on A Price for the wood they are to buy forthwith for the Towns Minister and on the Towns Cost and the Vote passed in the Affirmative,

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Town=house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Thursday y^e^ First Day of Febreuary AD 1781 In Order to Chuse A Committee of Good Men to Examine the Demands any Person has against the Town of Tisbuary, And at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, And then it was Put to Vote to See whether Benjamin Lumbert, Benjamin Burges, Ezekel Luce Should be Said committee & the Vote passed in the affirmative, and Also it was Voted that Said Committee Should make their Report accordingly And also at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would pass a Vote to make Application to the General Court for Liberty to Whale Provided those so Dispossd be at the whole cost for the Same, and the Vote passed in the affirmative, and then S^d^ Meeting was adjornd to the Thirteenth Day of Feb^r^ Instant at three of the Clock afternoon to be holden at Said Court-house to Recieve the Report of the Afores'd Committee

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ye 7th of Feb^r^ 1781 This Day wee the Subscribers being a Committee Appointed to Settle with Mr Benjamin Allen the Town Treasurer and find in his Hands Fifty-five Pounds Eleven Shillings & one penny Paper Monney, and, also Said Treasurer gives the Town his fee which is Six Pounds Eight Shillings & two pence Paper monney = Sunk & Dead

Consented to by BENJ^A^ ALLEN *Treasurer* { SHOBAL COTTLE, EZRA ATHEARN, JOSEPH ALLEN }

Recorded by me EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by Adjornment on Tuesday y^e^ thirteenth Day of Febreuary A D 1781 at three of the Clock afternoon in Order to Recieve the Report of the Aboves'd Committee, and at Said Meeting of the Freeholders Said Committee made their Report in Writing under

their Hands, and then A Vote was Call'd to See whether S^{d} Town would make the Report their Act and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, Said Report is Lodg'd in the Town Clerks office which may fully apear

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annaversary March=Meeting Legally Warnd & held by the Freeholders of Said Tisbuary at the Town house on Tuesday the Thirteenth Day of March A D: 1781 In Order to Transact on the Following Particulars herein after mentioned Viz^{d}: Firstly to Chuse all Such Town officers as the Law Requires to be Chosen anually in Towns in the Month of March, Secondly to See if the Town will Vote to Raise More Monney to Defray the Charges of the Said Town Already Arisen or that may arise Thirdly to take Under Consideration Mr George Damans Request for A Dismision from this Church and Town and his Reasons therefor (and to Advise accordingly), Fourthly to Make Choice of A Committee to Transact any Affairs or any Buisness Respecting the Town and Mr Damans or any thing About the Personage Either to Hire it out Or to Repair the Same as Shall be thought most propper and at Said meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator and firstly at Said Meeting Ezra Athearn was Chosen and Sworn for Town Clark for the Ensuing year and then All Such Town officers ware Chosen Succesively as the Law Requires, Viz Esqr Shobal Cottle Deacon Stephen Luce Thomas Jones ware Chosen Select Men Deacon Luce Thomas Jones Overseers of the Poor, Esqr Cottle Russel Hancock Surveyers of Highways Joseph Allen Barnard Case Tything Men Matthew Merrey Ezekiel Luce Fence Viewers, Enoch Luce cornelus Norton Swine Drivers, Thirdly it was Put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would Chuse as A Committee Deacon Stephen Luce Esqr Shobal Cottle Benjamin Lumbert Benjamin Allen and mallatiah Davis to Transact any affairs or any Buisness Respecting the Town and the Reverend Mr George Damans or anything Aboute the Parsonage in Said Tisbuary Either to Hire it out or to Repair the Same as Shall be thought most propper and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then Said Town–meeting was Adjorn'd to the 16th Day of afores'd March to be holden at the Townhouse in S^{d} Tisbuary at Two of the Clock afternoon to Recieve the Report of the abovesd Committee, and to Transact what further Should be thought propper agreeable to the Notification for Calling Said meeting

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by Adjornment on the Sixteenth Day of the Aforesaid March in Order to Transact what further Should be thought Propper thereon and at Said adjornment it was put to Vote to See wheather the Freeholders then Present would Chuse Samuell Manter Ju^{nr} to be Constable for the Ensuing year and the Vote passed in the affirmative And it was put to Vote to See whether Joseph Allen Should be an Over Seer of the Poor in Tisbuary in the Room of the Aboves'd Deacon Luce & the Vote pass'd in the affirmative and then Said Town=Meeting was Adjornd to the Thirtieth Day of the Aboves'd March to be holden at Said Town house in Tisbuary at two of the Clock afternoon in order Still to Transact what further Should be thought Propper Reletive to Said Notification Dated Tisbuary March y^{e} 16th A D: 1781

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=meeting Legally Warnd and held by Adjornment at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders of Tisbuary on the Thirtieth Day of aforesd March in Order to Transact what further Buisness may Appear to be done Reletive to Said Notification and at Said meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would Chuse Shobal Cottle Esqr Stephen Luce Benjamin Allen Cornelus Dunham to be a committee in behalf of the Town to Settle accounts with Mr George Daman Respecting his past Services in the Ministree in time past in the Town of Tisbuary and to Come to A Final Settlement Or if they think best to Refer it to Refferees as they Shall think propper and best for the Towns benefitt and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, Voted also at Said Meeting that Joseph Allen Should be an Agent for the Town of Tisbuary to Hire out the Personage to the Highest bidders to Improve it the Year Ensuing as Shall be best for S^{d} Town, and also to take Securities for the Same and the Vote passed in the affirmative and then Said Town meeting was adjorn'd to Fryday y^{e} 6th of April Ensuing to be holden at the Townhouse in Tisbuary

Tisb^{r} march y^{e} 30th AD 1781 Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

At a Town meeting Legally Warn'd and Still held by adjornment at the Town=house by the Freeholders of Tisbuary on the Sixth of Aforesd april A D 1781 Deacon Stephen Luce being Moderator of Said Meeting and at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would Refer the affair between the Town of Tisbuary and Mr George Damans Respecting his Demand on the Town for his Services

done in Said Town in the Ministree for two Years & an half Last past, and the fall of Monney for the Years 1774 & 1775 & 1776 & 1777 To be Referd to the Judgment of Matthew Mayhew of Chilmark Esqr Ebenezar Norton Samuell Smith Junr boath of Edgartown, and if Either of the afores'd Referees Should Refuse to accept as aforsd then it Shall be in the power of the Committee already chosen to transact the Buisness with Mr Damans and the Town to appoint Some Other Person, and the Town hath Promis'd upon their Honours to abide by the Judgment of Said Refferees and the Vote passed in the affirmative, and also at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Freeholders then Present would Vote to Raise on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary by a Tax to Defray Charges already arisen, the Sum of Two hundred Pounds Lawfull Monney and the Vote passed in Affirmative and Said Town Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Third Teesday of May 1781 to be holden at the Town house in Tisbuary at three of the Clock in the afternoon

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town=meeting Legally warn'd and held by Adjornment for the Choice of Town officers for the year 1781 Met on the Third Tuesday of May and After Some Debate Adjornd Said March=meeting to the Second Tuesday of June following Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally warnd & held at the Town house in Tisbury on the 15th Day of May A D: 1781 Deacon Stephen Luce Moderator: And then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would Make Choice of Esqr Shobal Cottle Mr Benjamin Allen & Ezekel Luce to be a Committee in behalf of Sd Town to Hire any Sum or Sums of Monney for to Pay Mr George Damans for his past Services in the Ministree in the Town of Tisbuary and to make Report to the next Town Meeting and the Vote passed in the Affirmative Likewise at Said Meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Town would Chuse Shobal Cottle Esqr James Athearn Esqr & Deacon Stephen Luce as a Committee to Treat with the People of Chilmark about hireing Some Person to Preach by Turns as they Shall Agree, And if they Shall Agree to hire one, Then for them to Act in Conjunction with the People of Chilmark about Ingaging Some Man to Suply the Pulpit and to make report to the next Town Meeting of what they have done, and for the Town to Vote what Shall be thought propper thereon, and the Vote passed in the affirmative

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Town house in Tisbuary on Wednesday the Sixth Day of June A D: 1781 James Athearn Esqr Moderator of Said Meeting ,And then it was put to Vote to See whether the Freeholders Voters then Present would Chuse Shobal Cottle Esqr to Represent the Town of Tisbuary to make Answer to A Resolve of the General Court at Boston to be holden on the Third Wednesday of June A D: 1781 To Shew Cause why the Town hath Neglected to pay their proportion of the Publick Taxes to our Province, and the Vote passed in the affirmative And also it was Voted that Said Cottle Should goe to S^{d} Boston on the Towns Cost and that he Recieve Twelve Dollers of John Dunham Constable for Tisbuary for 1780 Towards his Expence & that he further Recieve what paper Monney belongs to this Town now in the hands of Benj^{a} Allen & Deacon Stephen Luce and that he give a Recept therefor

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk.*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town meeting holden by adjornment on the Second Tuesday of June 1781 for the choice of Town officers for S^{d} year Met on S^{d} Day and after Some Debate Adjorn'd Said Meeting to the first Tuesday of July next to be holden at the Town house in Tisbuary at three of the Clock afternoon

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally warn'd Continu'd & held by Adjornment at the Townhouse in Tisbuary on the Third Day of July A D 1781 in order for the choice of Town officers for S^{d} year and at S^{d} Meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr was chosen overseer of the Poor in Said Tisb^{r}

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warnd & held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Monday the Thirteenth Day of August A D 1781 in order to See if the Inhabitants of Tisb^{r} would Vote their acceptance of the Report of the Refferees in the affair Respecting Mr Dammans and the Town, And at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator and then A Vote was Called on the Affair and it passed in the Affirmative that they would Recieve Said report,

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warnd & held at the Town house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on the Nineth Day of January A D 1782 Deacon Stephen Luce Moderator and then it was put to Vote (and agreeable to the Notification for the Same) to See whether the Voters then Present would Vote to Raise on the Inhabitants by a Tax Eighty Pounds L M money to Defray Tisbuarys Town Charges Arisen or may arise the Currant year and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative and also at Said Meeting and agreeable to the Notification it was put to Vote to See whether Joseph Allen Jethro Athearn Ju^{nr} and Ezekel Luce Should be a committee in behalf of the Town of Tisbuary To Examine the Accounts or Demands any Person or Persons have on s^{d} Town and to Draw up a List thereof as they in their wisdom Shall See to be Just and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at an Anavarsary March Meeting Legally warnd & held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Townhouse on the 20th of March A D: 1782 In order to Chuse all Such Town officers in the Town as is by Law Required to be Chosen Annually, and at S^{d} Meeting James Athearn was Chosen Moderator, And then Ezra Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk Stephen Luce Malatiah Davis Thos Jones ware chosen Select Men, Jethro Athearn Town=treasurer, Sam^{ll} Look william Foster Joseph Chase Hezekiah Luce Surveyers of Highweys, Joseph Look Jonathan Cithcart Abraham Chase Fence Viewers William Foster Pound=keeper Jonathan Foster Tything=man William Luce Cornelus Norton Swine Drivers, all the above ware chosen for the Ensuing year, and further and Agreeable to the warrant it was put to Vote to See whether Six pence on the Pound be allowed Sam^{ll} Manter Ju^{nr} as an Addition for Collecting the Last Tax of Eighty Pounds already Made and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And also at Said meeting Joseph Allen was Chosen Agent by Vote for the Town of Tisbuary to Hire out the Parsonage to the Highest bidder for the Ensuing year, And also it was Voted and Agreeable to the Warrant that Deacon Stephen Luce Joseph Allen & Ezra Athearn. Should be A Committee to Supply the Pulpit in Tisbuary with a Gospel Minister for the Ensuing year and then Said March Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Second Tuesday in April Ensuing the Date hereof

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Adjornment of the Above March Meeting holden at the Town=House in Tisbuary on the Second Tuesday in April A D 1782 Hezekiah Luce was chosen Fence Viewer

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd & held at the Town house in Tisbuary by the freeholders on Tuesday the Ninth Day of April A D 1782 and at S^{d} Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then it was put to Vote to See whether James Athearn Esqr Should be an Agent in behalf of Tisbuary to Examine the Records of this Town county or the Registree of Probate and See w^{t} Land Said Town has Reserv'd for a Bureying Place, And the Vote passed in the affirmative

Likewise it was Voted at Said meeting that Esqr Athearn Examine & Liqudate the Accounts of Shobal Butler with the Town and make Report of his Doeings at the Next Town Meeting

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders at the Townhouse on Fryday the Twenty eight Day of June AD: 1782 in Order to Transact Such Buisness as Set forth in the Warrant for calling the Same, And at Said Meeting Decon Stephen Luce was chosen Moderator, And then it was Put to Vote to See whether Shobal Cottle Esqr & Mr Joseph allen be A Committee to Joyne the Select Men to Examine the Accounts of the Outstanding Constables Accounts Respecting the Remitting any Persons Rates that is Due to the Outstanding Constable as they Shall See proper and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative, And also at Said Meeting it was put to Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative that Seventy Pounds Lawful Monney Should be Rais'd by A Tax on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary for the Supporting the Gospel Ministree in S^{d} Town Likewise it was Voted in the Affirmative that Thirty Pounds L M more be Rais'd in the Same manner as Above and for the Towns use Further it was put to Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative that Jonathan Foster Should Take Care of the Meeting house in S^{d} Tisbuary to put the Windows in repair on the Towns Cost;

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders at the Townhouse on Wednesday the Twenty fifth Day of September A D 1782 at three of the Clock afternoon in Order to hear and consider a Request of a Number of the Inhabitants of Homses-

hole and Some Adjacent People thereto Requesting that they may be Exempted from Paying any Tax for the Support of the Presbeterian Ministers for the future in the Town of Tisbuary by Reason they are of the Baptist Perswasion and at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was chosen Moderator And then A Vote was Call'd to See Wheather Shobal Cottle Esqr Deacon Stephen Luce & Mr Ransfor'd Smith Should be a committee to hold A Conferance with the Inhabitants of Homseshole and Some Persons Adjacant Relative to the Above Request or Pettion and to make Report of their doeings at the Adjornment of this Meeting, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then S^{d} Town Meeting was Adjorn'd to Tuesday ye 15th of October Next to be holden at the Town house in S^{d} Tisbuary at Four of the Clock afternoon to Recieve the Report of the Aboves'd Committee

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

The Pettition Reletive to the Above Vote Viz. To the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbuary in the County of Dukes County in Legal Town-meeting to be assemble'd on Tuesday ye 19th Day of October 1782 The Memorial of us whose Names are under writen being Inhabitants of that Part of Said Town Commonly Call'd Homseshole beg Leave to Represent that Notwithstanding our great Desire to Promote Religion and attend the Publick Worship of God at all Times must needs say that Considering our remote Scituation from the Meeting=house or Place of Worship in Said Town and being Attended with Such Conspiscious Inconveniencies that need not be Enumerated, Desire that wee may be Released from paying any Part towards the Support of the Gospel in Said Town Except among our Selves in Such A Manner as will be most for our Religious profit Or otherwise releas us Agreeable to Justice & Equity as to you may Seem fit all which is Humbly Subitted

Isaac Daggett
Levi Young
George West
Jereul West
Nathaniel Skiff
Elizabeth West
Jesse Luce
Peter West
William Smith
Jonathan Raymond
Charles Edmondson

Tisbuary ss: Att A Town meeting holden at Tisb^{r} on Monday ye 14th of April AD: 1783 James athearn Esqr Moderator of S^{d} Meeting for the Choice of Jurors to Send to Barnstable Court to be holden for Barnstable & Dukes County on the 20th of May 1783 Said Meeting Stands Adjornd to the 28th of April Instant at four of the Cloch PM

EZRA ATHEARN *T C*

Tisbuary ss: At A Legal Town=meeting holden at the Town house in Tisbuary on Wednesday y^{e} 13th Day of November AD: 1782 James Athearn Esqr Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting and it was then put to Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and agreeable to a Request of the Inhabitants of Homseshole that the Moderator of this Meeting aquaint the Said Inhabitants of Homseshole that they Pettition this Town for their being Dismist from Paying Ministeral Taxes (if they See cause) in the Town of Tisbuary:

The Districts Intended by this Vote Lying to the Eastward of a Line drawn from the Stepping Stones to Cuteshmoo Spring so Called, then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd untill the next Tuesday at two of the Clock P=M=

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Then mett According to Adjornment and after Some Debate See Cause to Adjorn S^{d} Meeting untill Monday y^{e} 25th Instant at at Four of the Clock P. M EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: then met again According to Adjornment and Passed the following Vote in the Affirmative Viz. That the Inhabitants of that Tract of Land Called Homseshole viz To the Eastward of a Line Drawn from the Stepping Stone (A Place known by that Name at the head of the Lagoon or Cove of Water Dividing Said Homseshole from the Town of Edgartown) To Cuteshmoo Spring from paying any Taxes in the Town of Tisbuary for the future Except Common Wealth Taxes, As also that Said Inhabitants Recieve no benefit or Assistance from the Town of Tisbuary for any charges that may Arise on Said Inhabitants for the future, Said Vote Passed in the Affirmative without one Dissenting Vote,

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town*

Tisbuary ss: At an Anavarsary March=meeting held at the Town house in Tisbuary on the Twentieth of March A D: 1783 James Athearn

Esqr Chosen moderator of S^{d} Meeting, & then all Such Town Officers ware Chosen Succesively as the Law Requires, to wit Ezra Athearn Town Clerk Cornelus Dunham was chosen Constable for the Ensuing year and he being at Said Meeting Refus'd to Serve ye Town of Tisbuary in Said office, And then Mayhew Norton was chosen to the office of Constable for the Ensuing year Deacon Stephen Luce Malatiah Davis Thomas Jones ware Chosen Select Men, Joseph Look Joseph Chase Enoch Luce Fence Viewers Esqr Shobal Cottle Peter Norton Matthew Manter Surveyers of Highweys, Job Look Joseph Athearn Jacob Clifford Ju^{nr} Hogreves, Joseph Allen Barnard Case Seth Luce Wardens, Deacon Luce Cornal Davis was chosen a Committee to Examine and Settle Accounts with the Town Treasurer, Jethro Athearn Ju^{nr} was Chosen Town Treasurer, James Athearn was Chosen an Agent for Tisbuary to higher out the Parsanage to the Highest Bidder for the year, and all the abovesd officers ware Chosen by Vote in the Affirmative Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

and then S^{d} March Meeting was Adjorn'd to the 14th of April Ensuing, and then mett and after Some Debate for Some reasons Adjornd Said March=meeting to Monday the 28th of April Instant to be held at the Town house in Tisbuary at three of the Clock P M

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met at y^{e} Abovesd Adiornment on Monday y^{e} 28th of Instant April 1783 James Athearn Moderator of S^{d} Meeting and then the aboves'd Mayhew Norton Declar'd his Nonacceptance of the Office of Constable for the Ensuing year, and then it was put to Vote to See whether Thomas Butler Should be Chosen Constable for the Town of Tisbuary for the Insuing year and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative, and the Said March Meeting was Adjornd to the Last Monday in May Ensuing to be held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary at Four of the Clock afternoon

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Mett at the adjornment of y^{e} March=Meeting to be holden at y^{e} Courthouse on the Last Monday in May A D 1783 and after Some Debate on the Premises Reletive to Said meeting See Cause to Adjorn Said Meeting to the First Tuesday in August Ensuing the date hereof,

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Wrn'd & held at the Courthouse by the Freeholders of Tisbuary on Monday y^e^ Ninth Day of June A D: 1783 and at Said Meeting Deacon Stephen Luce was Chosen Moderator, and then it was Voted at S^d^ Meeting by the Freeholders then Present that the Assesors Postpone the Time for makeing the Present Province Tax till the Town has Opertunity to Send to the General Court, and Also at Said Meeting it was Voted that Deacon Stephen Luce Should be a Committee Man to Joyn with the other Towns Committees Men in the County in Order to Consult what Method Should be thought Propper to doe in the affair above

Dated Tisbuary ye 9th of June A D: 1783

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisb^r^ ss: At a Town meeting Warnd & held at the Courthouse by Adjornments from the Abovesd Annavarsary March Meeting by adjornment to Tuesday the fifth Day of August AD 1783 and then mett and Adjorn'd to Tuesday ye 19th of Said August and then mett and at Said Meeting it was Voted in the Affirmative that Russel Hancock Should be a Constable for Tisbuary for the Present year and then S^d^ March meeting was Adjorn'd to Fryday ye Twelvth day of September Ensuing the Date hereof

attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally Warnd & held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on the Twenty Sixth of October AD 1783 Deacon Stephen Luce Moderator in Order to Chuse an Agent to Appear at the Next Court of General sessions of the Peace to be held at Tisbuary on the Last Tuesday of October Instant to appear in behalf of Said Town to Answer to an Inditment brought Against S^d^ Town for not haveing A Grammar School Kept in Said Town in the year 1782 and Mr Benjamin Allen was chosen for the purpose and at S^d^ Meeting Mr Benjamin Allen & Mr Barnard Case was Chosen to Joyne the Standing Committee to get Some Suitable Person to Suply the Pulpit in Tisbuary

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Town house in Tisbuary, by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Tisbuary Quallified to Vote in Town affairs on Monday y^e^ fifteenth Day of March A D: 1784 in Order to See if a Vote may be obtain'd to

Raise A Sum or Sums of Monney that Should be thought Necessary for Defraying Tisbuarys Town Charges arisen & Arising on Said Tisbuary this Present year, And at Said Meeting James Athearn was Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting, And then it was mov'd and Seconded that the Sum of one Hundred Pounds Lawfull Monney Should be Rais'd by A Tax on the Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of Tisbuary For Defraying the Charges already Arisen and that may arise on Said Town the Current year, And the Vote being Put it Passed in the Affirmative

and also at Said Meeting it was Mov'd and Seconded & Put to Vote to See whether Deacon Stephen Luce & Ezra Athearn Should be Chosen to auduit the Accounts with the Agents of Said Town that have had the care of the Personage in Tisbuary and Report their doeings to Said Town

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annavarsary March Meeting Leggaly Warn'd and met and held at the Townhouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Tisbuary Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs, On Monday ye 29th of March A D: 1784 in Order to Chuse all Such Town officers as the Law Requires to be annually Chosen Whereas James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting, and then ware Chosen by Vote as followeth Viz Ezra Athearn Town Clerk, James Athearn Esqr Deacon Stephen Luce & Mr Mr Malatiah Davis Select Men, Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer, Samuell Look and Hugh Cithcart Wardens, Ezekiel Luce Peter Norton and Israel Butler Surveyers of Highweys, Joseph Allen Jonathan Luce and Enoch Luce Fence Viewers, Zeph Chase & William case Tything=men Sam^{ll} Weeks and cornelus Norton Swine Drivers, and then S^{d} March Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Fifth Day of April following at two of the Clock afternoon,

attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: at a Town meeting holden by Adjornment at the Town house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on the fifth Day of April 1784 for further Choice of Town officers for the Current year James Athearn Moderator of S^{d} Meeting, And then it was Put to Vote to See whether the freeholders then Present would chuse Russel Hancock to Serve as A Constable for this Present year in the Room of Mayhew Norton heretofore Chosen Constable, and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative that S^{d} Russel Should Serve in the office of A constable for the Town of Tisbuary this

currant year 1784 and James Athearn was chosen agent for Tisbuary to higher out Tisbuarys Personage to the highest bidder for the year and also Benjamin Allen and Jethro Athearn was chosen overseers of the Poor for the year 1784

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Also at the Abovesaid Meeting holden ye fifth Day of April 1784 Shobel Cottle Esqr & Deacon Stephen Luce was chosen to Supply the Pulpit to git Sum Suitable Person to Preach a A candidate in order to Settle in the Work of the Ministree in Tisbuary

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary in Dukes County Ss: at a Town Meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Town house in Tisbuary on Monday ye fifth Day of April A D 1784 In order by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Tisbuary Quallified to Vote for a governour Lieutenant Governour and Senator, And at Said Meeting Forty and two Votes was Then given in for John Hancock Esqr to be governour for the Common Wealth of Massachusetts the Current year, and Likewise Thirty Eight Votes for Benjamin Lincoln Esqr for Lieutenant Governour for the Year and Also at Said Meeting Forty-one Votes was put in for Beriah Norton Esqr to be a Senator ye year for the Countys of Dukes County, and the County of Nantookit

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town meeting Legally warn'd & held at the Court house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs On Wednesday the 14th Day of July AD: 1784 in Order to hear and Consider the Pettition of Mathias Rogers of Said Tisbuary to be prefer'd at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr being moderator of S^d^ Meeting and after Said Pettition being Read and Considerd it was mov'd & Seconded and put to Vote See Whether Shobal Cottle Esqr Mr Joseph allen and Cornelius Dunham Should be a committee to Settle the Controversy betwixt Mathias Rogers and Jonathan Manter of Tisbuary, Relative to Said Mathias Rogerses Estate claimed by Said Manter, And the Vote passed in the Affirmative viz That Shobel Cottle Esqr Joseph Allen & cornelius Dunham Should be Said committee

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Town=house in S^{d} Tisbuary on Wednesday y^{e} Fourteenth Day of July AD: 1784, In Order to Act and Vote on Several things Inserted in the Notifification for Calling Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was then chosen Moderator of Said meeting and then it was put to Vote to See whether the Town would Chuse Thos Daggett Hugh Cithcart and Thos Jones to be A Committee to take care of Tisbuary's Town Schoolhouse and Consult what had best be done with Said House and make Report at the Next Town=meeting and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative and Also at Said Meeting it was Voted that Mr Morse be applied to as a candidate for to Settle in the Ministree in Tisbuary

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk.*

On Wednesday ye 14th Day of July A D 1784 Thos Dagett Hugh Cithcart Thos Jones ware chosen A Committee to consult what had best be done with Tisbuarys Town Schoolhouse and to make Report thereon at the next Town Meeting, Report that it is their opinion that it be Sold for the Towns Use

attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

October y^{e} 6th A D 1784

Tisbury ss: at a Town=meeting Legally warn'd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the court house in S^{d} Tisb^{r} on Thirsday y^{e} Thirtieth Day of September A D: 1784 then and there to act and doe what Shall be thought best on the following purposals as Inserted in the Warrant for calling the Same Shobel Cottle Esqr being Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting and then the first thing Inserted in Said Warrant was to see if said Town would Chuse A Committee to Treat with the Reverend Mr Morse (now resident in Tisbuary) Concerning his Preaching here both as to time and terms or any matter Relative thereto, and at S^{d} Meeting it was Mov'd and Seconded to See whether a Committee Shuld be chose to treat with the Reveren'd Mr Morse and it was put to a Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then it was put to Vote to See whether Esqr Shobel Cottle Deacon Stephen Luce Deacon Ransford Smith Joseph Allen and Cornelius Dunham Should be Said Committee and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and also at S^{d} Meeting it was put to Vote and Voted in the Affirmative that Joseph Allen Should be a

Committee Man to agree with Some Person to Build A Pound and to get a place to Sitt it upon and then Said Meeting was adjornd to Wednesday y^{e} 6th of October A D 1784 Voted also at S^{d} Meeting that the Select Men Examin into the Request of of Josiah Hancock (Late constable of Tisb^{r}.) Respecting the Remittances of Some of the Tax he has to collect

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Courthouse in Said Tisbuary by Adjornment on Wednesday the Sixth Day of October A D: 1784 in order to Transact what then Should be thought Propper on the Proposals Inserted in the Warrant for calling the Same, and being Assembled Esqr Shubael Cottle being Moderator of S^{d} Meeting And then firstly it was Mov'd & Seconded and Put to Vote to See whether the Town of Tisbuary would Repair the Personage=House Barn & Farm, After which the Wooden Work of the Dwelling House to be Kept in Repair by the Town the Barn the Fences and glass to be kept in Repair by the Ocupant, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then Secondly it was movd & Seconded and put to Vote to See whether the Town would give a yearly Sallery of Seventy Pounds Lawful Monney to the Reverend M^{r} asarelah Morse if he Settle in this Town of Tisbuary as a Minister with the use of the Personage put in Repair as above Mentioned During his Continuance in the Work of the Gospel Ministree in Tisbuary and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And Also in the Third place a Vote was Call^{d} to See whether the Said Town would Vote to Raise the Sum of Seventy Pounds Lawful Monney by a Tax on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary for a Sallery for Mr Asarelah Morse in case he Settles in S^{d} Tisbuary as our Minister, or in Case he Does not the Sum to be Appropriated for the Same purpose of Supplying this Town with a Minister and the Vote passed in the affirmative and also at Said Meeting it was mov'd and Voted that Thirty Pounds Lawful monney as a Further Addition be Rais'd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary by a Tax to be used to Defray the charges already arisen or may arise on Said Town

Dated at Tisbuary this Sixth Day of october AD: 1784

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: The committee Chosen on the Thirtieth Day of September AD 1784 in order to Treat with the Reverend Mr Asarelah Morse Concerning his Preaching in Tisbuary boath as to time and Terms or any

Matter relative thereto, Said committee made Report that the Reverend Mr asarelah Morse accepted of the offer Made him as Above Dated the Sixth Day of October AD 1784 attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

The Reverend Mr asarelah Morse's answer to the call the church of christ and Town of Tisbuary has made him in Case he Accepts thereof in Settling in the Work of the gospel Ministry in the Town of Tisbuary

To the Church of Christ at Tisbuary, wishing grace mercy truth & peace maybe multiplied —

Dearly beloved, Haveing considered of your call & Invitation to Settle with you in the work of the Ministery and whereas a Call from a Church of Christ, to Lead in the Publick Worship of God, Demands respect and Attention Would therefore return for answer, — That your Candid Acceptance of my past Services Incourages me to hope for the like candor in future, and a desire, as I trust, to be found in the way of my Duty, to pay A regard to the Providence of God, which Overrules all events and to be Serviceable in my day and Generation Do therefore now cordially accept of your Call and Invitation, To minister unto you in Holy things, Upon the Terms you have proposed, Relying upon the Grace and asistance of the Great Shepherd and Bishop of Souls to assist me, in the Discharge of my Duty herein, and asking your Prayers for me that I may be found faithful in the work whereunto I am called, And that wee might be made Blessings to each other, I Rest your Servant in the Faith and Fellowship of the gospel

Asarelah Morse

Harwich Octobr the 26th/1784

Entred upon Record this 21st Day of Febr A D: 1785

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Court=house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in Town affairs, On Tuesday the Nineth Day of November A D 1784 for the following purposes Inserted in the Warrant for calling the Same Esqr Athearn Moderator, And then it was movd & Seconded and put to Vote to See whether the Inhabitants of Tisbuary would Concur with the Church of Christ in Tisbuary in their Choice of the Reverend Mr Asarelah Morse to be their Minister and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then it was Voted that the First Wednes-

day in December be the Day for the ordination of Installing the Reveren'd Mr Asarelah Morse in the Work of the Gospel Ministree in Tisbuary, And then it was Movd and put to Vote to See whether Joseph Allen & Jethro Athearn Should be a committee to agree with Some Person to Entertain the Councel for the Enstallment of the Reverend Mr Morse and the Vote passed in the affirmative, and Also Benjamin All was Nominated and put to Vote to See whether he Should be a Committee Man to Vendue the Town of Tisbuary's old School house at Publick Vendue and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and further Josiah Hancock was Chosen to take Care of Tisbuarys Meeting House as to Sweeping it & Shut & open the Doors on the Lords Days and also at Said Meeting it was Mov'd Seconded and put to Vote and voted in the affirmative that Benjamin allen Jethro Athearn & Ezekiel Luce Should be a committee to put the Meeting house in Repair, and Personage house and Farm in Tenantable Repair the Present year, and to charge the Town of Tisbuary therewith

Dated at Tisb^{r} ye Ninth of November A D 1785

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at a Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday the Fourth Day of March AD 1785

In order for the choice of a governour Lieutenant governour & Senator for the Ensuing year for the comonwealth of Massachusetts and at Said Meeting of the Freeholders of Tisbuary Five Votes were put in for Thomas Cushing Esqr to be governour and eight votes were put in for James Bowdoin Esqr to be governour and one Vote for Trustram Dalton to be governour And Eleven Votes ware put in for Thos Cushing to be Lieutenant governour And Five Votes ware put in for Trustram Dalton Esqr to be Lieutenant governor, And Eight Votes ware put in for Peleg Coffin Ju^{nr} to be Senator and Eight Votes ware put in for Timothy Folger for the County^{s} of Dukes County & Nantookit

Dated at Tisb^{r} ye 4th Day of march A D 1785

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annavarsary March Meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Tisb^{r} 1785 in order for the Choice of all Such Town officers as is by Law Required to be chosen annually and at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was chosen Moderator of Said Meeting and then the Town

officers herein after Named ware Chosen by Vote to Serve in Their Respective Offices in the Town of Tisbuary for the Ensuing year To wit Ezra Athearn Town Clerk James Athearn Esqr Deacon Stephen Luce, Capt Nathan Smith Select=men, Jethro athearn Town Treasurer & Overseer of the Poor, Israel Butler Constable, Job Look Jonath Athearn and Joseph Chase, Surveyers of highweys, Joseph Look Timothy Lumbert Fence Viewers, Deacon Smith Jonath Manter & Joseph Claghorn & Christopher Butler Wardeans, Jonathan Manter Tything Man, Benjamin Allen Malatiah Davis and Cornelius Dunham a committee to Examine into the Demands any Person has on the Town of Tisbuary and to See they be Reasonable and to Lay them before y^{e} Town for their Acceptance, and then Said March=Meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday the fifth of April AD 1785 and then met and at Said Meeting Samuell Lewis was Chosen warden and then S^{d} Meeting was Disolv'd

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: April 5th A D: 1785 The Record of the Demands of Sundary Persons for Service done for the Town of Tisbuary, Examin'd and approv'd by Benjamin allen & Mallatiah Davis a Committee Chosen for the purpose, and they are as followeth viz

firstly James Athearns Esqe account is	4 = 8 = 0
Ezekiel Luces account is	7 = 13 = 0
Benj^{a} Allen Account is	2 = 1 = 8
Mallatiah Davis acct is	2 = 3 = 6
Stephen Luces acct is	3 = 4 = 0
Josiah Hancocks acct is	0 = 6 = 0
James Manters acct is	0 = 4 = 0
Isaiah Grey's acc^{t} for two cord & half wood at 15^{s} pr cord	

Tisbuary ſs: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders Quallified to Vote for A Representative and at Said Meeting held on the Thirteenth Day of May A D: 1785 Benj^{a} allen was Chosen to Represent the Town of Tisbuary in the General Court to be holden at Boston on the Last Wednesday of May Instant

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Tisbuary Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs on Fryday the Seventeenth

Day of June A D: 1785 in Order to Consider and Vote what Should be thought propper on the Purposes Inserted in the Warrant for calling the Same and firstly it was movd & Seconded & Voted that James Athearn Esqr Should be Moderator of Said Meeting, and after Some Debate S^{d} Meeting was Adjorn'd to Fryday ye 24th Day of Said June and then Met and at Said Meeting it was Mov'd & Seconded and Put to Vote to See wheather Fifty Pounds Lawful Monney Should be Rais'd by A Tax on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary for to Defray the charges thereof Arisen & Ariseing thereon the Present year and the Vote passed in the Affirmative viz that fifty Pounds Should be raisd by A Tax on S^{d} Inhabitants

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary fs: at a Townmeeting Legally Warn'd and held at the courthouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday the Fifth Day of July A D: 1785 in order to consider the Request of Mathias Rogers of Tisbuary for assistance from this Town to Remove him and his Son Samuel & Daughter Elizabeth to the State of Vermont at which Meeting James Athearn was Chosen Moderator, and after Some Consideration it was Voted to adjorn Said meeting untill Saturday the ninth day of S^{d} July and then Mett and came into the following Determinations and Voted in Concequence of Said Determination in form following Viz^{d} To give Oliver Rogers now Present One Yoak of good working Oxen and One good Draught Horse and Ten Dollars in Monney and be at the Expence of Transporting the Said Team Mathias Samuel & Elizabeth to Bedford or Some Harbour near that place on the Main Land with the Firnature of them the Said Mathias Samuell & Elizabeth, he the Said Oliver Rogers giving his Bond to the Treasurer of This Town for the Towns use to Carrey the Aforesaid three Persons to the State of Vermont and Support them Three years free from any Charge to this Town of Tisbuary, At the Expiration of Said three years; If they be Living to give to Said Oliver Rogers as much more Monney as Shall with the Price of Said Team Cash and Transportation amount to one Hundred Dollars if they be then Living but if any one or all of them Die within Said time the Monney So Remaining Over and Above the Price of the Team to Cease and Determine and So in proportion, And that the Moderator of this Meeting be appointed to Suply the Team and furnish them with Monney from the Town's Treasury and A Pasage to the Main Land and take Bond Aforesaid

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Tisbuary on Monday y^e^ Second Day of January AD: 1786 in Order to Chuse a Committee to joyn with the Committees of the Other Towns in this County to See if they can come to Some Just proportion between Said Towns of Each ones Vallue in Order to a Final Settlement in the Doom now before the General Court of this Common Wealth, & at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then was put to Vote & Voted in the Affirmative that James Athearn Esqr Deacon Stephen Luce and Benjamin Allen all of Tisbuary Should be Said Committee

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants on Tuesday y^e^ 7th of Febreuary AD: 1786 in Order to Act and do what was Inserted in the Warrant for calling the Same Decon Stephen Luce being Moderator, And then it was put to Vote and Voted in the Affirmative that Mr Benjamin Allen Tisbuary's Present Representative Should be a Committee Man to Joyn the Town of Chilmark in Prephering a Pettition to the General Court of the State of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts to have the Town of Tisbuary to be made the Shire Town in Dukes county and for their Courts to be held there for the Future Either at the Present Session or any Other Sessions hereafter &c: —

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting Legally Warn'd & held at the courthouse in Tisbuary on the Tenth Day of Febreuary A D: 1786 in Order to Recieve the Accounts of the Committee for Repairing the Meeting House in Said Town and Some aditional Repairs on the Personage house and Barn and at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then Said Accounts ware Read & Mr Joseph Allen and Christopher Butler ware Chosen a committee to Examine Said Accounts and the Sums herein After Named were Allowd by S^d^ Committee To wit —

To James Athearn Esqr	£6 = 19 = 9 = ½
To Thomas Chase	£8 = 11 = 0
To Benjamin Allen	£1 = 12 = 0
To Mattheis Manter	£0 = s 3 = 0

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annavarsary March=meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Fryday y^{e} 17th Day of March A D: 1786 In Order to Chuse all Such Town Officers as is by Law Required to be chosen annually in Towns, And at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting And then it was put to Vote and Voted in the Affirmative by the Freeholders then assembled that Ezra Athearn Should be Town Clerk for the Ensuing year, and then All Such Other Town officers were Chosen Respectively as are herein After Named Viz^{d} to Serve in their Respective Offices for ye Ensuing year Deacon Stephen Luce Malatiah Davis and Nathan Smith Select Men. Rolen Rogers Constable Jonathan Manter Ezekiel Luce and William Luce Serveyers of highweys David Merrey Tything Man Isiah Pray Hugh Cithcart Fence Viewers, James Manter Swine Driver Enoch Luce Pound keeper Isaac Dagett & Obed Luce Surveyers of fish Peter West Thomas Chase Surveyers of Lumber, Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer & Overseer of the Poor. Joseph Allen Thos Jones William Foster & William Case Henry Yong & Israel Butler ware Chosen Wardens and Also at Said Meeting Twenty & two Votes were put in for Jethro Athearn of Tisbuary to be County Treasurer, and Twenty two Votes for Sm^{ll} Smith Ju^{nr} to be Register and then S^{d} Meeting was Adjornd to thursday ye 23^{d} of March Instant, Ezra Athearn Town clerk and then met and at Said Meeting Rolen Rogers appeard and Declard his Nonacceptance of the Office of Constable and then it was Proposed and Put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would Chuse Said Rolen Rogers A Collector to Colect the Remainder of the Rates Hezekiah Luce Late of Tisbuary was to gather in the year 1777 and Said Rolen So doeing it Should be the Condition and goe for his turn as full as if he had accepted of the office of a Constable for the Ensuing year and the Vote passed in the affirmative and Said Rolen being Present Accepted thereof on the above condition and then it was Mov'd & Seconded and put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would Chuse Jonathan Manter to be Tisbuarys Constable for the Ensuing year and the Vote passed in the affirmative and then Said March Meeting was adjorn'd to the First Monday of April Ensuing

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met at the Abovesaid adjornment of the S^{d} March Meeting to be held on the first Monday of April Ensuing A D: 1786

and at Said Meeting Thomas Butler was Nominated and Seconded

and put to Vote for a constable & the Vote passed in the Affirmative viz^{d} that Said Butler Should be Tisbuarys Constable for the Ensuing year and then Said March Meeting was adjornd to Monday y^{e} 17th Day of April 1786

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday y^{e} Third Day of April A D: 1786 in Order to Chuse A Governour, Lieutenant Governour & Senator for the Ensuing year, and at Said meeting Twenty=four Votes were put in for James Boadwin to be Governour Throughout the Common Wealth and State of the Massachusetts; And at Said Meeting Twenty=four Votes ware put in for Thomas Cushing to be Lieutenant Governour for the current year as above, Twenty eight Votes put in for Matthew Mayhew to be Senator the Current Year, and five votes for Peleg Coffin of Nantuckett Ju^{nr} to be Senator for Dukes County and Nantukett

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Met at the Above adjornment on Monday the 17th of April AD 1786 and at Said Meeting the Standing Constable made Report that the aboves'd Thomas Butler Refus'd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Office of Constable and then it was Mov'd and Seconded and put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would Chuse Joseph Athearn to be Tisbuary's constable for the Current year & the Vote passed in the Affirmative that Joseph Athearn Should be Constable and then Said March Meeting was adjorn'd to Monday ye first Day of May AD: 1786

EZRA ATHEARN *T Clerk*

Met at Tisbuarys March Meeting Continued by Adjornment to be holden on the First Monday of May 1786 and at Said meeting the afores'd Joseph Athearn appear'd and Accepted of the Office of Constable for Tisbuary for the Ensuing year and then Said Meeting was Disolv'd

E. A. *Town Clerk*

Voted also that Said Athearn Should have Two & half p^{r} cent for Collecting the Taxes made in his year

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warn'd and held at the courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday the first Day of May A D: 1786 in

Order to recieve Israel Butler Constables account for carrying and for hireing Obed Luce to carrey Rachel Rogers across the Sound to falmoth and also for his Takeing Care of Tisbuary's Meeting house and Sweeping it a year and at Said Meeting it was Voted that Deacon Luce & Malatiah Davis Should be a committee to Settle the Accounts with the aboves'd Butler and to make report at a Town=meeting

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally Warnd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Courthouse on May y^e^ 9th A D: 1786 - - - - -

and at Said Meeting Benjamin Allen was chosen Representative for the current year and at Said meeting it was Voted in the Affirmative that Deacon Ransford Smith Malatiah Davis Benjamin Lumbert Should be A committee to give Said Reppresentative Instructions for Said Town: and also at Said Meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr Malatiah Davis & Cornelius Dunham were Voted in the Affirmative to be a Committee to Examine the Accounts and Say who Shall be Remitted out of the Taxes for 1777 and also it was Voted that the Select Men Should Draw ye Monney out of Tisbuary's Treasurey to pay the Remmitances

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday the Thirtieth Day of November A D: 1786 in Order to See how much Monney Should be Rais'd on the Inhabitants to Defray Charges Arisen & Arising on Tisbuary the Current year and at Said Meeting it was mov'd & Seconded to See whether One Hundred & Thirty Pounds L. Monney Should be Raisd by Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town Meeting held in Tisbuary on the Second Day of January 1787 in order to See if the Town would raise A Sum of Monney for a School or Schools to be Disposd of as the Town Shall think propper and at Said Meeting Shob Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then the Aboves'd was put to Vote and the Vote passed in the Negative

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss

To Joseph Athearn Constable of the Town of Tisbury In Dukes County Greeting —

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to levy & collect of the Several Persons named In the list herewith committed unto you each one, his respective proportion, Therein set down, of the sum total of such list it being this Towns proportion of Tax or Assessment of five hundred & Sixty five Pounds four Shillings Granted & agreed upon by the General Court of s^d^ Commonwealth at their Session. Begun & held at Boston on the 25th Day of May 1785 for Defraying the nessesary Charges of Securing Protecting & Defending the Same & you are to transmit & pay in the Same unto Thomas Ivers Treasurer & Receiver General of this Commonwealth or to his Succesor in that Office & to Compleat & make up an Account of your Collections of the whole sum on or before the First Day April 1787 & if any person shall refuse or neglect to pay the sum he is assessed in S^d^ List to Distrain the goods or Chattles of such Person to the value Thereof & the distress So taken, to keep for the space of four days at the Cost & Charge of the owner, & if he shall not pay the sum so assessed within the S^d^ four Days, then you are to sell at Publect Vendue, the Distress so taken for the payment thereof with charges first Giving forty eight hours notice of such sale by posting up advertizements thereof in some publect place in the town Destrect or plantation (as the case may) & the overpluss arising by such sale if any there be besides the sum assessed & the necessary Charges of taking & keeping the Distress you are immediately to restore to the Owner. & for want of Goods or chattles whereon to make Distress Besides tools or implements necessary for his trade or occupation beasts of the plough necessary for the cultivation of his improved lands arms utensils for house keeping necessary for upholding life bedding & apparel necessary for himself & family for the space of twelve days you Are to take ye body of such person so refusing or neglecting & him Commit unto the common goal of the County thereto remain until he pay the same or such part thereof as shall not be Abated by the Assesors for the time being or the Court of General sessions of the peace for S^d^ County

Given Under our hands & seals by virtue of a warrant from the Treasurer Aforesaid This fifth Day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty Seven

STEPHEN LUCE } *Selectmen*
MALATIAH DAVIS } *for Tisbury*

	P	Money	R. Estate	P Estate	
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	
James Athearn Esqr	2	2 - 12 - 0	3 - 10 -	0 - 5 - 6	-
Jethro Athearn	3	3 - 18	3 - 18 - 10	0 - 6 - 0	-
Ezra Athearn	-	1 - 6	4 - 15 - 4	0 - 5 - 6	-
Abijah Athearn	-	- 6	4 - 17 - 2	0 - 6 - 0	-
Jonathan Athearn	-	- 6	-	0 - - 0	-
Joseph Athearn	-	2 -	- 11 - 2	0 - 2 - 4	-
Moses Athearn	-	1 - 6	- 5 - 6	- 0 - 4	-
Elijah Athearn	-	- 6	- -	- 0 - 4	-
Solomon Athearn	-	1 - 6 -	-	- 0 - 4	-
Benjamin Athearn	-	1 - 6	- 5 - 6	-	-
Joseph Allen Jr	-	- 6	-	-	-
Joseph Allen	-	1 - 6	3 - 9 - 8	- 16 - 6	-
Benjamin Allen	2	2 - 12	4 - 2 - 6	4 - 0 - 8	-
Zadock Allen	-	- 6	-	- 5 - 6	-
Shubel Buttler	-	- 6	- 5 - 6	-	-
Christopher Buttler	-	- 6	- 16 - 6	- 1 - 10	
Israel Buttler	-	- 6	2 - 11 - 4	- 2 - 4	-
Thos Buttler	2	- 12	- 7 - 6	- 2 - 4	-
David Buttler	0		10 - 0	0 - 6	
Thos Buttler Junr	-	- 6	-	-	-
Luce Burges	2 -	2 - 12	- 5 - 6	- 1 - 0	
Benja Benson	2	2 - 12	-	-	-
Malica Baxter	-	1 - 6	-	-	-
Shubel Cottle Esqr	2 -	2 - 12 -	5 - 10 - 0	0 - 18 - 11	-
Edmond Cottle	-	- 6	- 13 - 0	0 - 19 - 9	-
Shubel Cottle Jr	1	- 6 -	- -	- 4 - 0	-
Tho Cottle	-	- 6	0 - 11 - 0		
Robart Cottle	-	- 6	-	-	
Abner Cottle	-	1 - 6	-	-	
Isaac Chace	-	- 6	0 - 12 - 10	0 - 0 - 6	
Joseph Chace	1	1 - 6	0 - 12 - 10	- 5 - 6	
Abraham Chace	-	- 6 -	3 - 4 - 2	- 5 - 6	-
Samuel Chace	-	2 - 12	1 - 2 - 0	- 1 - 10	-
Thos Chace	-	- 6 -	- 3 - 8	- 0 - 8	-
Sarson Chace	1	1 - 6	-	- -	
Timothy Chace	-	- 6 -	2 - 4 - 0	- 6 - 6	-
Zephaniah Chace	-	- 6	- 9 - 2	-	-
Barnard Case	-	- 6	3 - 2 - 4	- 3 - 9	-
Jeremiah Crapo	-	1 - 6	- 1 - 10	- -	
Barnard Case Jn	-	- 6	-	-	
Willm Case	-	- 6	- 3 - 8	- 0 - 6	-
James Case	-	- 6	-	- -	
Jacob Clifford	0		0 - 0		
Jacob Clifford Jn	1	1 - 6	- 3 - 6	- 0 - 6	-
Vernal Clifford	-	1 - 6	-	- -	
Nathan Clifford	1	1 - 6	- 1 - 10	- -	
Samuel Crowel	-	2 - 12	- 12 -	- 1 - 10	
Benja Crowel	-	- 6	- 10	- 0 - 6	-
Barzilla Crowel	-	- 6	-	- 0 - 5 -	
John Cleavland	-	1 - 6	- 7 - 4	- 0 - 6	-
Zabdial Clevland	-	1 - 6	1 - 10	- 0 - 5	
Gershom Cathcart	0	-	1 - 16 - 8	-	
Jono Cathcart	0	Recd 12 - 0		2 - 4	
Hugh Cathcart	-	-	-		

	P	Money	R. Estate	P Estate	
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	
Deborah Cobb	0	0	2 - 15 - 0	1 - 5 - 0 -	-
John Crosby	-	- 6	-	- -	-
Daniel Collins	-	- 6	- 1 - 10	- -	
Thomas Daggett	-	- 6 -	2 - 11 - 4	- 4 - 0	
Samuel Daggett	-	- 6 -	-	- 10	
Thomas Daggett Jr	-	- 6 -	- 5 - 6	- 10	
Isaac Daggett	-	3 - 18 -	2 - 4 - 0	- 11 - 0	-
				Rec'd	
Willm Daggett	1	1 - 6	- 7 - 4	- 7 - 4 -	-
Nathan Daggett	1	1 - 6		Recd 10 - 8	
Silas Daggitt	-	1 - 6	- 11 - 0	-	
Joseph Daggett	0				
Ebenezer Daggett	-	- 6	- 5 - 6	- 0 - 6	
Malitiah Davis	-	- 6 -	4 - 11 - 8	- 3 - 7 -	
John Davis	-	- 6 -	-	- 3 - 8	
Shubel Dunham	-	2 - 12	1 - 9 - 4	- 2 - 4	-
Cornelius Dunham	-	1 - 6	1 - 16 - 8	- 11 - 8	-
Shubel Dunham Jr	-	1 - 6 -	-	- 0 - 4	-
David Dunham	-	1 - 6 -	- 5 - 6	- 0 - 6	
Abisha Dunham	-	- 6	- 16 - 6	- 1 - 10	-
Dunham	-	- 6	-	-	
Clifford Dunham	-	- 6	-	-	
Charles Edmonson	-	- 6	0 - 14 - 8	- 3 - 8	-
Jona Foster	-	- 6	- 11 - 0	- - 6	-
Benja Foster	-	1 - 6	- 11 - 0	- 1 - 0	-
Willm Foster	-	- 6	- 12 - 10	- 0	-
Lewis Foster	-	- 6	-	-	-
Isaiah Gray	2	2 - 12	4 - 15 - 0	0 - 12 - 0	-
John Gray	-	1 - 6	- 18 - 0	-	-
Jona Hamitt	-	2 - 12	- 5 - 8	- 2 - 4	-
John Hazelton	-	1 - 6	-	-	-
Ephariam Harden	1	1 - 6	-	-	-
Josiah Hancock	-	2 - 12	3 - 4 - 2	0 - 7 - 4	-
Rusell Hancock	-	2 - 12	3 - 4 - 2	0 - 7 - 4	-
Nathanel Hancock	-	- 6	-	- -	-
George Hillmon	2 -	2 - 12	- 9 - 2	- - 6	-
Thomas Jones	-	2 - 12 -	- 16 - 6	- 2 - 4	-
John Homes	2 -	2 - 12	- 11 - 2	- 9 - 2	-
Nathan Look	-	- 6	- 0 - 2	- 2 - 4	-
Elijah Look	-	- 6 -	2 - 5 - 10	0 - 1 - 8	-
Samuel Look	-	- 6 -	4 - 8 - 0	0 - 6 - 6	-
Robt Look	-	- 6 -	- 5 - 6	- 2 - 4	-
Elijah Look Ju	-	- 6	- 5 - 6	- 1 - 6	-
Joseph Look	2 -	2 - 12	1 - 2 - 0	- 2 - 4	
Jona Look	-	1 - 6	-	-	-
Stephen Luce	2 -	2 - 12	2 - 18 - 8	- 3 - 8	-
Timothy Luce	2 -	2 - 12	- 3 - 8	- 2 - 6	-
Charles Luce	-	1 - 6	1 - 11 - 2	- 1 - 9	-
Jessa Luce	2	2 - 12	- 9 - 2	- 1 - 0	-
Enoch Luce	-	- 6	1 - 7 - 6	- 1 - 0	
Benja Luce	-	- 6	- 16 - 6	- 0 - 6	-
Ruth Luce	-	-	- 11 - 2	- 3 - 8	-
Lott Luce	-	- 6	-	-	-
Gamaliel Luce	-	1 - 6	-	-	

	P	Money	R. Estate	P Estate	
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	
Ezekiel Luce	–	2 – 12	3 – 15 – 2	– 5 – 6	–
Joseph Luce	–	1 – 6	– 14 – 8	– 1 – 6	–
Thaddeus Luce	1	1 – 6			
Seth Luce	–	– 6	– 5 – 6	– 1 – 0	–
Lemuel Luce	–	1 – 6	–	– –	–
Barzilla Luce	–	– 6	–	–	–
Obed Luce	–	1 – 6	– 11 – 0	– 0 – 8	–
Elisha Luce	–	1 – 6	0 – 9 – 2	– 1 – 10	Recd 0 – 6
Jon^a Luce	–	– 6	1 – 3 – 10	– 1 – 10	–
George Luce	–	– 6	– 3 – 8	– 0 – 6	–
Malaichi Luce	–	– 6	– 5 – 6	– 1 – 0	
Solomon Luce	–	– 6	– 3 – 8	– 0 – 6	–
Isaac Luce	–	– 6	– 9 – 2	– – 6	–
Peter Luce	–	– 6	– 14 – 8	– 2 – 4	–
James Luce	–	1 – 6	– 7 – 4	– 1 – 2	–
Thomas Luce Junr	1	1 – 6	– 3 – 8	– 0 – 6	–
Abijah Luce	–	– 6 –			
Robet Luce Jr	1	– 6	–	–	–
Abisha Luce	–	– 6	– 16 – 6	– 2 – 4	–
Willm Luce	–	2 – 12 –	1 – 7 – 6	Rec – 1 – 10	1 – 6
James Look	–	1 – 6	– 5 – 6	–	–
Malitiah Luce	0	–	– 3 – 6	0 – 0 – 6	
Bethuel Luce	2	– 12 –	– 5 – 6	– 6	
Tho^a Luce	–	– 6	– 7 – 4	– 2 – 8	–
Oliver Luce	–	– 6	–	–	
Timothy Lumbart	–	– 6	1 – 9 – 4	– 2 – 10	
Moses Lumbart	–	–	1 – 13 – 0	– 1 – 0	
Samuel Lumbert Jr,	1	1 – 6	– 18 – 4	– 1 – 6	–
Elisha Lumbart	1	1 – 6	– 18 – 4	– 1 – 6	–
Salvanus Luce	–	– 6	– 11 – 0	– 0 – 7	–
Francies Lewiss	2	2 – 12	1 – 0 – 2	– 2 – 4	–
Adonijah Luce	–	1 – 6	– 11 – 0	– 1 – 4	–
Samuel Lewiss	–	1 – 6	– –	– 0 – 6	–
Daniel Luce	–	1 – 6	– 5 – 6	– 0 – 6	–
Job Look	–	2 – 12	1 – 2 – 0	– 2 – 4	
Prince Look	–	1 – 6	–	– –	
Lott Look	–	– 6 –	–	– 1 – 1	–
Job Look Jn	–	1 – 6	–	– 1 – 6	–
Benj^a Lumbart	–	1 – 6	2 – 7 – 8	– 3 – 8	–
John Mantor	–	12 –	– 2 – 0	– 2 –	
Benj^a Mantor	1 – 2	0 – 13 –	3 – 13 – 4	2 – 6	
Samuel Mantor Jr	2 –	2 – 12 –	0 – 11 – 0	Recd 1 – 6	1 – 1 – 6
James Mantor	–	1 – 6	Credit by 7 – 4	Recd in – 2 – 8	full 9 – 0
Mathew Mantor	–	1 – 6	5 – 6	2 – 6	
Jonathan Mantor	–	– 12	4 – 15 – 4	– 2 – 4	–
Joseph Merrey	1 – 2	0 – 13 –	– 13 – 0	0 – 2 – 4	–
Benj^a Merrey	–	1 – 6	1 – 3 – 10	– 3 – 10	–
Peter Merrey	–	– 6 –	–	– 0 – 8 –	
Willm Merrey	–	– 6 –	– 3 – 8	– –	
Zachariah Merrey	–	1 – 6	–	–	–
David Merrey	2	2 – 12 –	– 9 – 2	– 0 – 8	–

	P	Money	R. Estate	P Estate	
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	
				Recd	
Jona Merrey	2	2 - 12		0 - 8 - 4	
Thos Manchester	2	2 - 12	3 - 8	-	
			Rec'd		
Joseph Merrey Jr	2	2 - 12	11 - 0	1 - 6 - 1 1 - 0	
George Mantor	-	1 - 6	- 7 - 4	- 1 - 0	-
Eliakiam Norton	-	- 6	9 - 3 - 4	- 8 - 4	-
Peter Norton	-	- 6	-	- 2 - 4	-
Mayhew Norton	-	1 - 6	1 - 13 - 6	- 3 - 8	-
Francis Norton	-	1 - 6	1 - 13 -	- 3 - 10	
Peter Norton Esq	0	-	- 18 - 6	- - 0	-
Cornelius Norton Jr	-	2 - 12 - 0	2 - 4 - 0	- 1 - 10	
Cornelius Norton	2 -	2 - 12	- 16 - 6	2 - 4	
Enoch Norton	-	- 6	-	-	-
Job Norton	-	1 - 6	-	-	
Joseph Norton Jr	-	- 6	- 3 - 8	- 0 - 9	-
Joseph Norton	-	1 - 6	-	-	-
Abner Norton	-	- 6	- 2 - 0	- 1 - 2	
Willm Rotch	-	- 6 - 0	0 - 16 - 6	- 0 - 9	-
Silas Rogers	1	- 6 - 0	- -	- 0 - 6	
Roland Rogers	-	- 6	1 - 3 - 10	- 1 - 10	-
Stephen Rogers	-	- 6	1 - 0 - 2	- 1 - 10	-
Lott Rogers	-	- 6	1 - 0 - 2	- 1 - 10	-
Matthew Smith	-	- 6	-	- 0 - 6	-
Jona Smith	-	- 6 -	-	-	-
Willm Smith	-	- 6	Credit in full	-	-
Ransford Smith	-	- 6 -	2 - 9 - 6	- 3 - 8	-
Nathan Smith	-	1 - 6	1 - 13 - 0	Recd 3 - 8	1 - 1
Zachariah Smith	-	- 6	- 11 - 0	- - 10	-
Thos Smith	-	2 - 12 -	- 16 - 6	- - 10	-
Joseph Smith	-	- 6	-	-	-
Elijah Smith	-	-	1 - 3 - 10	- -	
Vinal Skiff	-	- 6 -	-	-	
Christopher Slocum	-	- 6 -	-	- -	
George West	-	2 - 12	- 5 - 8	0 - - 10	
Jeruel West	1	1 - 6	Recd for this bill	12 - 0	
Peter West	-	- 6	0 - 16 - 6	- 0 - 8	-
Samuel Weeks	-	1 - 6	- 7 - 4	- 1 - 0	-
Willm Weeks	-	1 - 6	- 5 - 6	- 0 - 6	-
Nthan Weeks	-	- 6 - 0	0 - 3 - 8	0 - 0 - 6	
James Weeks	-	- 6	-	- -	
Thomas Walrond	2	2 - 12	5 - 6 - 4	3 - 15 - 2	
Noah Walrond	-	- 6	-	-	
Robt Walrond	-	- 6	-	-	
Michal Walrond	-	- 6	-	-	-
James Winslow	-	1 - 6	0 - 4 - 4	- -	
Thomas Wheldon	-	- 6	3 - 8	7 - 4	
Willm Willpeny	-	- 6	Recd -	10 - 6	
Thos West admnstr To Lemuel Buttlers Estate	-	- 1	- 7 - 0	- 0 - 6	
Levy Yong	-	- 6	- 14 - 8	- 0 - 8	-
Willm Kimblem	-	1 - 6	-	-	
Deborah Allen Extr	-	-	- 5 - 6	- -	

	P	Money	R. Estate	P Estate	
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	
Joseph D Hitchbourn . .	–	– 6	–	– –	
John Manchester . .	–	– 6	– –	– –	–
Aaron Daggett . . .	1	– 6	–	–	
Samuel Chace Jr . .	1	1 – 6			
Stephen Clifford . . .	–	1 – 6 –	–	– –	–
Joseph Claghorn . .	–	– 6	– 9 – 2	– –	–
Amey Downs . . .	0	– 0	0 – 14 – 8	Rec^d 4 – 4	
Charles Luce Jn . . .	–	– 6 –	– 1 – 10	–	
			Rec^d	Esqr Cottle	
Henrey Luce . . .	1	1 – 6	8 – 1		
Levi Luce	–	– 6	–	–	
Silas Hillmon . . .	–	–	– 7 – 4	– –	
Abner Buttler . . .	–	– 6	–	–	
Jason Luce	–	– 6	–	–	
Thos Buttler Admnst. to Zacchues Chace . .		–	7 – 4	–	
Jona Wing	–	– 1 – 6 –	9 – 2	– 6	
Ephariam Dunham . .	–	1 – 6	–	– –	
Elisha Basstt . . .	–	– 6	– 3 – 8	– –	
Sarson Buttler . . .	–	– 6 –	–	– –	
Jacob Luce	–	– 6	–	–	
Trustom Daggett . .	–	– 6 –	–	–	
Benjamin Cottle . . .	–	– 6	–	–	
Herbart Bordman . .	–	– 6	–	–	
Samuel Daggett Junr . .	–	1 – 6	– 3 – 8	–	
Samuel Allen . . .	1	1 – 6			
David Look	–	1 – 6	–	–	
Mitchal Daggett . . .	–	1 – 6	–	– –	
Abraham Luce . . .	–	– 6	– 7 – 4	– 1 – 10	
Joseph Luce Jr . . .	–	– 6 – 0 –			
Marten Luce	1	1 – 6 – 0			
Elijah Daggett . . .	–	– 6 – 0			
Mathew Daggett . . .	–	– 6 – 0 –			

The forgoing Rate Being a State Tax Assessd on the Inhabitants of Tisbury on there Pols and Estates for the year A Dom 1786 made and Completed the 5 Day of January A D 1787 Containing the sum of £565 — 4 by us the Subscribers

STEPHEN LUCE
MALATIAH DAVIS } *Selectmen*
NATHAN SMITH } *for Tisbury*

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Received one dollar for taxes from William Luce	1 —	11

Remains due to Joseph Athearn 1 = $\overset{s}{2}$ — $\overset{d}{7}$ according to our Settlement for the within Taxes

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally warn'd & held at the court-house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Wednesday y^{e} 28th of March 1787 in Order to Chuse all Such Town officers as the Law Requires to be Chosen annually in the Month of March in each Town in this Commonwealth, James Athearn Esqr being Chosen Moderator of S^{d} Meeting, And then it was Put to Vote to See whether Ezra Athearn Should be Town Clerk Deacon Luce Malatiah Davis and Nath Smith Select Men and Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer, and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative and the Above Named Officers took the Oath of Alliegance as Required by Law, Jethro Athearn overseer of the Poor Ezekiel Luce Zephaniah Chase and Jonathan Smith Chosen Wardeans, Benjamin Foster & Peter West Tything Men, Enoch Luce Pound=keeper, Jonathan Cithcart & Cornelius Norton Swine=drivers, Russell Hancock Joseph Chase and Sm^{ll} Look Surveyers of high=ways, Timothy Lumbert & Jonathan Luce Fence Viewers, Isaac Dagett Thomas Chase Surveyers of Lumbert, Nathan Smith Thomas Jones Joseph Look and David Merrey Surveyers of Packt Fish all the Above Named Town Officers ware Chosen to Serve in their Respective offices for y^{e} Ensuing year and then Also Thomas Butler of Tisbuary was Chosen to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the office of Constable for the Ensuing year and not being at Said Meeting the Town=meeting was Adjornd to Monday the Second Day of April Ensuing the Above date

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met at the abovesd Adjornment of March=meeting and then the Standing Constable made Report that the aboves'd Thomas Butler Refus'd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Office of constable for the Ensuing year, And then it was Mov'd & Seconded and put to Vote to See whether Jonathan Manter Should be Constable for the Ensuing for Tisbuary, and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And then it was movd & Seconded to See whether Cornelius Norton of Homses=hole in the Constablerick of Tisb^{r} and Timothy Lumbert Should be Assesors of Taxes for Tisbuary and it passed in the Affirmative, Cornelius Dunham was also chosen by Vote for A Sealer of Weights & Measures it was also Voted at Said meeting that the Constable Should have Six=pence on the Pound for Collecting Taxes, and then Said March=meeting was Adjorn'd to the 16th of April Ensuing the above date

Ezra Athearn *T Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=Meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday y^{e} Second Day of April AD: 1787 In Order to Chuse A Governour Lieutenant Governour & Senator for the Ensuing year in the common=Wealth of Massachusetts and at Said Meeting of the Freeholders of Tisbuary then Present Put in Twenty Votes for John Hancock Esqr to be Governour for the Ensuing year and Nine Votes for James Bowdoin and 15 Votes for Benj^{a} Lincelon to be Lieutenant Governour & 11 Votes for Benj^{a} Warren to be Lieu^{t} governour Thos Cushing two Votes Ten Votes for Matthew Mayhew to be Senetor and 16 Votes for Thomas Cook to be Senator for the Ensuing year Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met on the Sixteenth day of April on the Adjornment of March=Meeting for 1787 and at Said meeting the Said Jonathan Manter appeard and Declard his Nonacceptance of being a Constable for the Town of Tisbuary for the Ensuing year, And then it was Movd & Seconded and put to Vote to See whether John Gray Should be Chosen Constable for the Ensuing year and the Vote passed in the Affirmative and then S^{d} March Meeting was Adjorn'd to Monday the 23^{d} Day of April A D: 1787

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met Lastly on the Adjornment of Said March=meeting Continu'd to Monday the 23^{d} of April 1787 and at Said Meeting the Aboves'd John Gray appeard and Declar'd his acceptance of the Office of a Constable for the Town of Tisb^{r} for the Ensuing Year and took the Oath of Alliegance as Requird, and at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Assesor for the Town of Tisb^{r} for the Ensuing year and then Said meeting was Disolv'd Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting Legally Warn'd and Held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on the Fifth of October AD: 1787 and at Said meeting and Agreeable to the Warrant for calling the Same Voted in the Affirmative that the Present Select men be a Committee to Settle with the Town Treasurer, And Also to Examine the Constables Requests for Remiting Sundray Persons Rates that are Delinquent, And also to Examine what is Nessary to be done to Repair the Meeting=House and Parsonage=House in Tisbuary and to make Report at an Adjornment, And then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Third Fryday of S^{d} October,

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met at the above s^{d} Adjornment on Fryday the 19th of Said October 1787 and at Said Meeting it was Movd and Seconded and Put to Vote to See whether one Hundred and Fifty Pounds L M Should be Rais'd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary to Defray their Town Charges Arisen and arising the Present Year and the Vote pased in the Affirmative, And at Said Meeting it was movd & Put to Vote to See wheather Benjamin Allen & Russel Hancock Should be a Committee to Repair Tisbuarys Meetinghouse and Personage house on the Towns Cost and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

EZR ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warnd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Courthouse on the Eleventh Day of December A D: 1787 in Order to See if the Town will Chuse Some Suitable Person to Represent Said Town as a Deligate at the State Convention to be held at the State=house in Boston on the Second Wednesday in January Next in Order for the Adoption of the Fedrel Constitution agreed upon by the Deligates of the United States held at Philadelphia on the first Monday in May 1787 And at Said Meeting Cornelius Dunham of Tisbuary was Chosen as a Deligate to Represent the Town of Tisbuary at the Abovesaid convetion

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Annavarsary March meeting Legally warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders in Order to Chuse all Such Town officers as is requir'd by Law to be Chosen annually, and at Said meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator of Said meeting to be holden on Wednesday ye 19th of March A D: 1788 and at Said meeting then the followin Town Officers ware Chosen by Vote to Serve in their Respective offices in the Town of Tisbuary for the Ensuing year Viz^{d} Ezra Athearn Town Clerk James Athearn Esqr Ezekiel Luce and Samuell Look Select Men Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer and Overseer of the Poor, Shobal Cottle Ju^{nr} Constable Joseph Athearn Benjamin Foster Abraham Chase and Samuell Lumbert Surveyers of Highways, Russel Hancock Joseph Chase and Isrel Butler Fence Viewers, Josiah Hancock and Sam^{ll} Chase Swine Pounders, Nathan Smith and Jonathan Foster Wardens, and also James Athearn Joseph Allen and Malatiah Davis was Chosen a Committee to Audit the Town Accounts, Enoch Luce Pound keeper, and then Said March=meeting was adjornd to the Seventh Day

of April Ensuing, and then met and at Said meeting Cornelius Dunham appeard and Offerd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary the Ensuing year in the Office of a Constable in the room & Stead of the Abovesaid Shobal Cottle Ju^{nr}, And then it was Put to Vote to See whether the Town would Accept of Said Dunham to Serve the Town as a Constable for and in the room of Said Cottle and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and also it was Voted at Said Meeting that the Said Dunham Should have the Same Commisions for gathering the Taxes as heretofore has been Allow'd to Other Constables

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs, on the Seventh Day of April A D: 1788 and at Said meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then it was put to Vote and Agreeable to the Warrant for calling the Same, to See if any Room be Appropriated for the Repairing the Meeting house in Tisbuary Said Room to be taken up whare the Body of Seets are and it passed in the Affirmative; and also at Said meeting it was put to Vote to See whether James Athearn Esqr Malatiah Davis and Cornelius Dunham Should be a committee to draw a Plan of Six Pews in the body of the Meeting=House and present the Same to the Town to be acted upon Agreeable as they Shall See fit either in the whole or in part and the Vote passed in the Affirmative;

and then Said meeting was Adjorn'd to the Second Tuesday in May Ensuing the Date hereof

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Met at the Aboves'd Adjornment and Reciev'd a Plan of the Above Said Committee for Six Pews in the two foremost Seets and Alleys in Said Meetinghouse, and then it was Put to Vote to See whether Said Towns Men then Present would Accept of Said Plan and the Vote Passed in the Affirmative, and then it was put to Vote to See wheather James Athearn Esqr Benjamin Allen and Joseph Athearn Should be a committee to Sell Said pew Spots at Publick Vendue and the Vote passed in the affirmative, And also at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr and Joseph Allen was Chosen A committee to Settle with Elijah Look a Former Constable, Relative to the Taxes he has not gathered for the Reasons he has to give to Said com^{tte},

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting Legally Warnd & held at the Court house in Tisbuary Thusday y^{e} Sixteenth Day of October A D 1788 (James Athearn Moderator,) In order to See what Monney is Nesecary to be Rais'd on the Inhabitants the Ensuing year to Defray Town Charges and after Some Debate Said meeting was Adjorn'd to Tuesday following and then met and then Adjorn'd to the Last Tuesday of September following to be holden at the Publick meeting house in Tisbuary at foure a Clock in the Afternoon

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

met at the aboves'd Meeting house and Adjorn'd to the House of William Cases and at S^{d} meeting it was put to Vote and Voted in the Affirmative that Ninety Pounds L M Should be Raisd on the Inhabitants to Defray Town Charges for the Present year, and also Ezekiel Luce was Chosen a committee man to Settle with the Town treasurer

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Thursday the Eighteenth day of December A D 1788 in Order to Chuse a Representative and two Electors, and at Said meeting David Cobb of Bristol Esqr was Chosen Representative and James Athearn of Tisbuary Esqr was Chosen for an Elector, and Cornelius Dunham of Tisbuary was Also Chosen for an Elector, 14 Votes was put in by the Voters then present for Each of the above named Persons Tisbuary December ye 18 A D 1788

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Court house in Tisbuary by the Freeholders Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Met on Wednesday ye Eleventh Day of febreuary A D 1789 and at Said Meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator, and then it was put to Vote and agreeable to the Warrant for Calling the Same, To See whether the Voters then Present would Chuse Shobal Cottle Esqr & Mr Ezekiel Luce to be a Committee to See on what Terms Room may be Obtain'd to Open Alleys from the end alleys in the Meeting house in Tisbuary through to the Noath Alley in Said House, And the Same committee to Report at the March Meeting next Ensuing Likewise a Plan for Removeing the Remaining Seats and Converting them into Pews for the Towns use and the Vote passed in the Affirmative,

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd & held in Tisbuary on thursday the 19th Day of march 1789 in Order for the Choice of Town officers for ye year, and at Sd meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator, and then all that are herein Aften named ware Chosen by Vote to Serve in their Respective offices for the Year Ezra Athearn Town Clerk, Janes Athearn Ezekiel Luce & Smll Look Select=men, Shobael Cottle Esqr Joseph Athearn Benjamin Foster Peter Norton Surveyers of High=weys, Jonathan Foster & Abraham Chase Tything=Men. Russel Hancock John Davis Joseph Chase Fence Viewers, William Foster & David Merrey Wardens, Enoch Luce Pound keeper, Timothy Lumbert Elisha Lumbert & Abraham Chase Hogreves, Isaac Dagett Thomas Chase Surveyers of Lumber, Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer & Overseer of the Poor, Jonathan Manter was Chosen Constable for the Town of Tisbuary for the year 1789 to Gather Common Wealth and County Taxes, Malatiah Davis Ezekiel Luce & Samll Look to apoint the time in the Spring & fall in Tisbr. for Look up Sheep and then Said March meeting was adjornd to the Sixth day of April following,

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

The Freeholders of Tisbuary met at the Abovesd Adjornment and at Said meeting Robert Look was Chosen Constable to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Office of Constable for the Ensuing Year and also at Said adjornment it was Voted in the Affirmative that the Town of Tisbuary Reposess themselves of the Pew Spot Sold Job Look Junr in the Meeting=house in Tisbuary and that he Recieve his Advance Monney of the Towns Committee Appointed to Sell the Same, and also at Said Meeting Voted 2/2 pr Ct Commisions to the Constable to be Paid in the Monney he Collect Spece Vallue

and also at Said Meeting Voted Voted a Commision to the Town=Treasurer for one year,

And also at Said Meeting it was Voted in the affirmative that Shobel Cottle Esqr Should Build a Pew on the Towns Cost on the Left Side the broad Alley in Tisbuarys Meeting house which dimensons and Spot was given to the Town of Tisbuary by Job Look Junr on the Terms Set forth above, and then Said March=meeting was Adjorn'd to the Second Monday in may following

Ezra Athearn *T C*

To all People to whome these Presents Shall come Greeting Know yea that whereas Abijah Athearn Husbandman and Jonathan Manter

Husbandman boath of Tisbuary in Dukes county are Each of us Equally Owners and in Possession of a Tract of Woodland near Homeshole in Said Tisbuary Joyning and Laying Southerly from the Woodland that was formerly Capt Peter Wests of Said Tisbuary, the Abovesaid Tract of Woodland Containing about Seventy Acres was formerly Puchesed of the Reverend Thomas West of Dartmouth in the county of Bristol as may more fully appear by the Deeds now on Record wee Judging it best to Devide the abovesd Tract of Woodland, and have and doe by these Presents Divide Said Land in Manner as follows Begining at A Stake with Stones about it at the Noath and Easterly Side of the above=Said Tract of Woodland near the Cartway that Crosses the Said Land, and to run from Said Stake and Stones to run by a Straight Line Southerly and Westerly by range marked Trees and Stakes till it comes to a Stake and Stone that Stands on the Southerly Side of Said Tract of Woodland And the aboves'd Abijah Athearn doth take all the Land to the Eastward of the Abovsd Line for his Equal half of Said Tract of Land and the abovesd Jonathan Manter doth take all the Lands to the Westward of the above said dividing Line that belongs to the Said Tract of Land for his Equal half of the Premises, This Division wee doe make for our Selves our heirs and Executors and Administrators confirm to each other for ever the Above Division as Witness our Hands and Seals this fourth Day of April A D 1789

Abijah Athearns Seal ⊙
Jonathan Manter Seal ⊙

Signed Sealed and Deliverd
in presence of
Mary Athearn
Rhoda Butler

Enter'd on Tisb^{r} Town Book
of Records this 9th of January
A D: 1793
Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders of Tisbuary on the First Monday of April A D: 1789 in Orded for the Choice of a Governour Lieutenant Governour & Senator for the Present year and at Said meeting Twenty=Seven Votes put in for John Hancock Esqr to be to be Gouernour in the Common Wealth of Massachusetts 26 Votes put in for Benjamin Lincolon Esqr to

be Lieutenant Governour 2 Votes for Sm^{ll} Adams Esqr to be Lieutenant gouevnour and 27 Votes for Matthew Mayhew to be Senator

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary's March meeting for 1789 was Adjorn'd to the 23^{d} of May

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss at A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary at the Courthouse on Monday the 11th Day of May A D 1789 for the Choice of A Representative to Serve the Town of Tisbuary at the General Court in the Common Wealth of Massachusetts for the Current Year and at Said Meeting Mr Benjamin Allen was Chosen to Represent the Town of Tisb^{r} on the Condition when S^{d} Town See nead to Send him with Such Instructions as they Should then give him

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at an Ajornment of Tisbuarys March=Meeting holden on the 23^{d} of May A D: 1789 Elijah Look Ju^{nr} Offerd to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Office of Constable for the Current year Provided it Might goe for his Turn and his Brother Robert Looks turn, And then it was put to Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative that it Should be as he had Offer'd and then S^{d}. March meeting was Disolv'd, Attest

EZRA ATHEARN *Town C*

Tisbuary ss: at a Townmeeting Legally warn'd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary by the Freeholders thereof on the Second Day of November A D 1789 and at Said meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then it was Movd and put to Vote to See whether an agent Should be Chosen on the Request of Elizabeth Manter of Tisbuary made to the Town of Tisbuary for her Support being Sick and the Vote passed in the affirmative and then it was Movd and put to Vote to See whether Deacon Stephen Luce Should be the Agent and the Vote passed in the Affirmative Voted also at Said Meeting that the Same Committee be Appropriated to Sell the old Personage Pew in the Meetinghouse as Sold the Pew Spots heretofore; Also at Said Meeting Ezekiel Luce was Chosen by Vote to be Chorister, And also Ebenezar Jones was Chosen to be the Chorister in the Absence of Said Ezekiel Luce and then Said meeting was Adjornd to Wensday ye 9th of December 1789

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: Met at the Abovesd Adjornment and at S^{d} Meeting Reconsiderd the Vote wherein Stephen Luce was Chosen an agent as above s^{d} and then it was put to Vote to See whether James Athearn Esqr Should be an agent on the Request of Elizabeth Manter made to the Town of Tisbuary and the vote passed in the Affirmative

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Court house on Fryday the Sixth Day of November A D 1789 in Order to Vote what Monney Should be Raisd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary the Current Year to Defray the Town Charges and at Said Meeting it was Movd and Seconded and put to Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative that 120 Pounds Lawfull Monney Should be Raisd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary Including Mr Morses Sallery, Voted Also that the Seat's in Tisbuarys Publick Meetinghouse Should be Converted into one Pew on Each Side for the Publick Use

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at Townmeeting Warn'd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Monday ye fifth Day of April A D 1790 in order to Chuse Town Officers and a County Treasurer for the Ensuing year and at Said Meeting Seventy & two Votes was put in for Jethro Athearn to be County Treasuer for the Current year

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Monday the fifth of April A D: 1790: In Order to Chuse A Governour Lieutenant Governour and Senetor, and Also for the Choice of all Such Town Officers as is by Law Requir'd to be Chosen yearly And at S^{d} Meeting 31 Votes was put in for John Hancock Esqr to be Gouernour for the State of Massachusetts for the year 31 Votes was put in for Samuell Adams to be Lieutenant Governour and 32 Votes put in for Shobel Cottle to be A Senetor to Represent the Countys of Nantukett and Dukes county and four Votes was put in for William Jonakins to be Senetor And also at Sd Meeting the Choice of Tisbuarys Town Officrs for the year are as followeth Viz:_____ _____Ezra Athearn Town Clerk James Athearn Edmond Cottle and Joseph Athearn Select=men, Timothy Lumbert Constable, Joseph Chase, abraham Chase and James Manter Serveyer of Highweys, Ben-

jamin Foster and Timothy Chase Hoogreevs, Joseph Claghorn and William Foster Tything men, Enoch Luce Pound=keeper, Joseph Allen & Ezekiel Luce Fence Viewers, Jethro Athearn Town=treasurer and Overseer of the Poor, Jonathan Athearn Serveyer of highweys; And then S^{d} Meeting was Adjornd to Thirsday y^{e} 15th Day of S^{d} April, Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met on the 15th of S^{d} April and After Some Debate Adjorn'd to the 29th of S^{d} April, Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk* Met on the 29th of Said April and Adjorn'd to the Sixth Day of May following

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met on the Sixth Day of May and Adjonnd to the Third Tues=Day of June

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met on the third Tuesday of Said June and at Said Meeting Movd and put to Vote to See whether Timothy Lumbert of Tisbuary Should be the Constable for the Town of Tisbuary for the year 1790 and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then S^{d} April Meeting was Continu'd by Adjornment to Tuesday ye 22nd Day of S^{d} June and at the S^{d} Meeting Hugh Cithcart John Gray and William Weeks were Chosen Wardens for the year and then S^{d} April Meeting was Continu'd by an Adjornment to be holden at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday ye 29th of June following at five of the Clock P M: Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk* Met on the 29th of S^{d} June and at S^{d} meeting David Look was put to Vote to See whether he Should be the Constable for Tisbuary to Serve for and in the behalf of Said Timothy Lumbert for the Current year and the Vote passed in the Affirmative

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Townmeeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Tuesday ye Sixth Day of July A D: 1790 in Order to hear the Request of that part of Tisbuary Called Homseshole viz to See whether the Town of Tisbuary will pass A Vote that the Said Homseshole Should be Sett off as a Precinct, and after Due Consideration it was Movd and Seconded and put to Vote and passed in the Affirmative that it Should be Sett off for a Precinct as far to the Westward as the Line Called Savages Line and So continu'd the Same Course from the

Sound to the Line of Edgartown to be Set off from Said Tisbuary as a Seperate District, Provided they Support their own School and the Poor within the Same District and all other charges arising within the Same District, Except the Taxes due to the Commonwealth

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: July ye 28th AD 1790 I the Subscriber do hereby acknowledge that I have recieved of Ebenezar Allen Ju^nr the full Demand of a Certain Note of Hand Sighed and given to me About Twenty Years Since by the Said Ebenezar Allen Ju^nr and his Brother Perkins Allen For a Sum of Monney not Matterally if at all Differing from Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence, And whereas the Said Note of Hand is Lost, I hereby Promise that if ever it Should come to Sight it Shall not in any Degree Operate to the Dammage of the Said Ebenezar Allen Ju^nr or his Brother Perkins Allen as Witness my Hand

by me Edmund Cottle

Test John Allen
Elihu Luce
Peggey Cottle

Entered on Tisbuarys Town Book of Records
this 29th Day of March A D: 1791

p^r Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Woodstock Septr 7th 1790

Received of Waltar Boardman a Note of hand against James Fletcher dated may 13: 1787 for twenty three £ ten Shillings upon interest which I promise to Collect and deliver or return when Collected for

Samuel Demar

Tisbuary ss: at a Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary on Monday ye 4th of October for the Choice of A Representative to Sit in Congress for the State and Common Wealth of Massachusetts for the Year 1790 and at Said Meeting Seven Votes was put in for David Cobb, and Six Votes was put in for Walter Spooner to be Said Representative,

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Leggaly Warnd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Monday ye 15th of November 1790 in Order

to See how much Monney Should be Raisd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary to Defray their Town Charges the Present year and to pass Such other Votes as then may be thought propper for the Approprpiation of the Monney Arising by the Sail of the Pew Spots in the Meetinghouse in Tisbuary, and to Chuse a Committee to Settle with the Town Treasurer; and at S^{d} Meeting Voted in the Affirmative that James Athearn Esqr be a Committee Man to procure Weights and Measures for the Town of Tisbuary, to Advance what Monney might be Nesecary therefor out of the Monney he has in hand for the Sale of the Pew Spots in Tisbuary; Voted also at Said meeting in the Affirmative that Deacon Stephen Luce & Cornelius Dunham be a Committee to Settle with Tisbuarys Town Treasurer and to make Report thereof at the Adjornment and then S^{d} Meeting was Adjorn'd to Fryday ye 26th of November Instant at two of ye Clock P M

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met at the Abovesd Adjornment and at Said Meeting Voted 70^{ty} Pounds to be Rais'd for Mr Morses Sallery ye Current year Voted also 40^{ty} Pounds to be Rais'd to Defray Town Charges and then Adjorn'd to Fryday ye 3^{d} of December following

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met at the afors'd Adjornment and at S^{d} Meeting it was put to Vote and Voted in the Affirmative that Fifteen Pounds Lawful Monney Should be Rais'd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary as an Additional Sum to what is Already Voted to be Rais'd to Defray Town Charges for the Year 1790 Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

The Second time Votes were put in in the Town of Tisbuary for a Representative to Sit in Congress for the year 1790

Thirteen was put in for Peleg Coffin of Nantukett Junr and four for Walter Spooner

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

The Report of Deacon Stephen Luce & Cornelius Dunham a Committee to Settle with the Town Treasurer for the year 1790 and they find Due to the Town of Tisbuary on Ballance £26 : 16^{s} : 11^{d}

Recorded by Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: This is to Certify that David Look Constable of Tisbuary for the year 1790, on the 29th Day of December A D: 1790, Made Return into the Town Clerks Office, that he had by Virtue of a Warrant to him Committed by the Select=Men of Tisbuary on the 17th Day of December A D 1790, Proceeded according to his Warrant and made Returne on his warrant that he had Warn'd the Within Said Abigil Allen Widdow, and Sarah Allen Spinstriss, as Set forth in his Warrant that they Depart the Limmits of the Town of Tisbuary within fifteen Days.

December ye 29th A D: 1790

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Courthouse on the 25th of January AD 1791 To See in what method the Town of Tisbuary will Proceed in for the more easy and Less Expensive Method of Suporting the Poor in Said Tisbuary and Also to hear the Proposals of the Present Overseer, or any Other Person that Shall propose any more Elegable way then what is Acted in at Present for their Support, And to Vote what then Shall be thought most propper to act in that manner for the Towns benefit, and at Said Meeting it was Movd and Seconded and put to Vote to Chuse a Committee to Enquire and See if they may have Some Suitable House for a Workehouse in Order to Accomodate the Poor to Live in that Shall Lawfully from time to time Stand in Need of Support from the Inhabitants of Tisbuary, And at Said Meeting it was Voted in the Affirmative that Benjamin Allen, John Davis and Ezekiel Luce Should be the Said Committee, and then Said Towns Meeting was Adjornd to Tuesday the fifth of March A D: 1791

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Met on the aforesd 5th of March 1791 and at Said meeting after Some Debate Adjornd Said Meeting To Monday ye Forth Day of April A D 1791

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary on Fryday ye 11th Day of March AD: 1791 in Order to Chuse all Town Officers as is by Law Requir'd to be Chosen in Towns annually and at Said Meeting Ezra Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk for Tisbuary for ye year 1791 and then Said March Meeting was Adjorn'd to the first Monday in April A D 1791 Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met on Tisbuarys March=meeting Continu'd by Adjornment from y^{e} 11th of March to ye first Monday in April A D: 1791 and at Said Meeting Esqr James Athearn Joseph Athearn Edmund Cottle was Chosen Select Men, & Jethro Athearn was Chosen Town Treasurer, and then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to Tuesday y^{e} 12 of April A D: 1791 Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Town of Tisbuary Met on Monday ye 4th of April agreeable to the above Adjornment Reletive to the Poor in Tisbuary and then by Reason of much buisness Adjornd to Tuesday ye 12th of April Instant A D: 1791

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At a Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Monday the Fourth Day of April A D: 1791 in order to See if a Vote may be obtain'd to Enable the Town Treasurer of Tisbuary to Reimburst the Monney that the Constable of Tisbuary has to Collect on the People of Homseshole their Proportion of the Ministers Tax for the year 1790 that they may apply the Same to Support a Publick Teacher at Said Homseshole And at Said Meeting after Some Debate Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to Tuesday ye Twelveth Day of April 1791

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally Warnd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders Qallified to Vote for Representatives and Senators, Assembled and met with the Other Inhabitants at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Monday the fourth Day of April A D: 1791

and at Said Meeting 37 Votes was put in for Walter Spooner to be a Federal Senator; And 45 Votes for John Hancock to be governour and 46 Votes for Samuell Adams to be Lieutenant Gouevnour 34 Votes was put in for Benjamin Allen to be A Senator for this Commonwealth and 7 Votes was put in for Peleg Coffin Ju^{nr} to be a Senetor Also; And 49 Votes was put in for Samuell Smith Ju^{nr} to be a County Register for Dukes County for the Term of five years,

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Forty=nine Votes was put in at Tisbuarys March meeting for Jithro Athearn to be the County Treasurer for Dukes County for the year A D: 1791

attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

And Tisbuarys March meeting was Adjornd to the Twelveth of April A D 1791 met at S^{d} adjornment and at Said Meeting John Holmes was Chosen Constable and Joseph Chase also was Chosen Constable to Serve ye Town of Tisbuary in the office of Constables for the Year AD 1791

Matthew Manter and William Foster ware Chosen Fence Viewers and Sm^{ll} Lumbert was also Chosen a Fence Viewer Jonathan Manter Serveyer of Highweys Sam^{ll} Chase Serveyers of highways and Jonathan Athearn Serveyer of Highways Robart Look Serveyer of highweys William Case to Serve in the office of Hogreves W Luce also to Serve in the Office of Hogreves Jethro Athearn Town=treaseurer Jonathan Manter Overseer of the Poor John Davis Overseer of the Poor Enoch Luce Pound keeper Joseph Claghorn Tything Man Isaac Daggett Serveyer of Lumber Samll Lumbert Serveyer of Lumber Obed Luce Serveyer of Fish And then Tisbuarys March meeting Was Adjornd to Saturday y^{e} 14th of May A D 1791

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: The Town meeting Respecting the Poor in Tisbuary Stands Adjornd to Wensday y^{e} 18th of May AD 1791

E A *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: The Town meeting Respecting the People of Homseshole Stands Adiornd to Wensday y^{e} 18th of May A D: 1791

E A *Town Clerk*

Met at the Adjornment of Tisbuarys March=Meeting on Saturday y^{e} 14th of May A D 1791 and at Said Meeting Jonathan Hemmett was Chosen Constable to Serve the Town of Tisbuary in the Office of a Constable for the year A D: 1791 and then Said Marchmeeting was Adjorn'd to Wensday y^{e} 18th of May at Four of y^{e} Clock afternoon

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met on the Adjornment of Tisbuarys March meeting from ye 14th of May to the 18th of may following A D 1791 and at Said Meeting Corn^{ll} Davis, Ezekiel Luce and Matthew Manter ware Chosen to Appint the Time when the People of Tisbuary Should Look up their Sheep in the Spring and Fall for Shearing and Raming, And also Abijah Hammett was Chosen Constable for the year 1791 Viz^{d} His Father giveing Bond for his Faithfull Discharge in Said office at the Same time and

the Town of Tisbuary also Voted that the Said Abijah Service as Constable is to Answer for his and his Fathers Jonathan Hammetts Turns in that Office, and Said Tisbuarys March=Meeting was Adjornd to the first Monday in July following

Attest Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: at an Adjornment of Tisbuarys Meeting Respecting the People Living in Homseshole Voted that the Select Men of Tisbuary be Impowr'd to give an Order on the Treasurer of Tisbuary to Pay the Several Persons Taxed to the Ministers Tax in Tisbuary Living to the Eastward of Teshmoo Spring So Called that are Inhabitants in Said Districts of homseshole Taxed in the Rate bills David Look Constable of Tisbuary for the year 1790 has to Colect, May ye 18th AD 1791 And then S^d^ Meeting Relative to the People of Homseshole was adjorn'd to the First Monday of July A D 1791

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

This is to Certify that Abijah Hammett Constable of Tisbuary for ye year AD: 1791 in the Month of May 1791 Made Return into the Town Clerk Office that he had by Virtue of A Warrant to him Directed by the Select Men of Tisbuary on the 19th of May 1791 That he had Proceeded acording to his Warrant and warn'd Abisha Peas Ju^nr^ with his Family to Depart out of the Town of Tisbuary,

Recorded p^r^ Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary at the Courthouse on Fryday the 25th of Nevember A D: 1791 in Order to Vote A Sum of Monney to Defray Tisbuarys Town Charges for the Current year and to Act upon Some Other Affairs Inserted in the Warrant for calling the Same and at Said Meeting James Athearn was Chosen Moderator thereof and at Said Meeting 100 £ L M: was Voted to be Rais'd on the Inhabitants of Tisbuary to Defray their Charges, And at Said Meeting Ezekiel Luce & Deacon John Davis was Chosen A Committee to Settle with Tisbuarys Town Treasurer Also the Same Committee to Examine the Towns Accounts, And Also Shubel Cottle Esqr was Appointed to Confer With William Tilton of Chilmark Concerning his Pew Spot in Tisbuarys Meeting=House and to make Report thereof at the next Adjornment, and then S^d^ meeting was Adjornd to Fryday y^e^ 23^d^ of December A D: 1791

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warn'd by the Select Men of Tisbuary and holden at the Courthouse in S^d^ Tisbuary on Monday y^e^ 26th of December A D: 1791 in Order to Chuse A Representative to Sit in Congress with the United States in America and at Said Meeting Seventeen Votes were put in for George Lenord of the County of Bristol County to be ye Said Representative

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town: meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary by the Freeholders at the Courthouse on Fryday ye Twenty third Day of March A D: 1792

In Order to Chuse all Such Town Officers as is by Law Requir'd to be Chosen in Towns Annually and at Said Meeting James Athearn was Chosen moderator and Ezra Athearn was Chosen Town Clerk

Ezekiel Luce Joseph Athearn and Abraham Chase was Chosen Select Men Jethro Athearn Town Treasurer 34 Votes put in by billot for Jethro Athearn to be County Treasurer, Jethro Athearn Overseer of ye Poor Jonathan Manter Overseer of ye Poor David Look was Chosen Constable Shobal Cottle Serveyer of Highways Sam^ll^ Look Serveyer of highways Ezekiel Luce Serveyer of highweys Ebenezar Allen Swine Driver Hugh Cithcart Swine Reve Enoch Luce Pound keeper Joseph Chase Hogreve James Case warden John Cleavland Serveyer and packer of Fish Cornelius Dunham Serveyer and packer of Beaf & Fish Benj^a^. Allen Fence Viewer Sam^ll^ Look Fence Viewer Joseph Chase Fenceviewer Matthew Manter Packer of Fish and then Said March meeting was Adjorn'd to Monday the Second Day of April following attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk* Met on Monday ye Second of April and Adjorn'd to the Second Fryday of April 1792

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town meeting Legally Warn'd and held in Tisbuary on Monday ye 2nd Day of April AD: 1792 in Order to Chuse a Governor Lieutenant Governour and A Federal Representative And at Said Meeting 27 Votes was Put in for John Hancock Esqr to be Governour in the Common Wealth of Massachusetts for the year 1792; Five Votes was put in for James Sullivan to be Governour, 32 Votes for Samuell Adams to be Lieutenant Governour 34 Votes for George Leonard to be a Federal Representative, 19 Votes for Shobal Cottle to be A Senator 12 for Wm Jornagins

attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Met on the Second Fryday of April by Adjornment of March Meeting for 1792 and after Some Debate Adjorn'd to the Third Fryday of April Instant following

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss at A Town meeting Legally warn'd & held in Tisbuary on Fryday ye 13th of April AD 1792 in Order to See if the Town of Tisbuary will make Choice of Some Suitable Person as an Agent to Represent the Town of Tisbuary at the Supream Court at Barnstable in May 1792 To Answer to an Inditement found Against the Town of Tisbuary for not haveing a Town School kept in Said Town and at Said meeting Isaac Dagett was Chosen to Represent Said Town at Said Court and then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to Fryday the 20th of April following

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town=meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on the Thirteenth Day of April AD: 1792 Stephen Luce Moderator it was then Put to Vote that all Persons Should be Excluded from Catching Oysters in the Pond called Newtown pond to carrey to Market off the Island of Marthasvinyard or to Sell by Cart Loads on the Island without Leave of the Towns Committee who Shall or may be Appointed from time to time to take care of the Same, and that if any Person or Persons Shall trangress against the foregoing Resolve of Said Town Shall for fitt and pay as a Fine for the use of Said Town Twenty=Shillings for every Offence for the use of Said Town And that if their Should be any allowd by the Town's Committee to be catcht that the Person or Persons that Shall have the Liberty Shall pay for each Bushel two pence p^{r} Bushel for the Use of Said Town and it passed in the Affirmative Likewise at Said Meeting Jethro Athearn Ezekiel Luce and Elijah Look Ju$^{nr.}$ was Chosen a Committee to See and take care that the foregoing Vote and Resolves were Duly Observ'd in behalf of Said Town

attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisb^{r} ss: Met on the Abovesd Adjornment on Fryday the 20th of April Concerning Tisbuary being Presented for not keeping a Town School and Adjorn'd to the First Wednesday in May following

E A *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met on the Aboves'd Adjornment of March Meeting and after further Debate on the Premises Relative thereto Adjorn'd to the first Wednesday in May A D 1792

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At an Adjornment on the First Wensday in May 1792 Shobal Cottle Esqr was Chosen agent in the Room of Isaac Dagett to Represent the Town of Tisbuary in Answer to an Inditement found Against the Town At the Supream Court at Barnstable in the year AD: 1791

Attest EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally Warn'd and held by the Freeholders of Tisbuary at the Courthouse on the Tenth Day of July 1792 and at Said Meeting Shobal Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then it was mov'd & Seconded and put to Vote to See whether the Voters would Vote to Raise Sixty Pound Lawful Monney to Support A Lawful School in Tisbuary for Eighteen Months and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, and then it was Movd and Seconded to See whether the Voters would Chuse five freeholders as a Committee to Divide the Town of Tisbuary into Districts and it passed in the Affirmative and then it was Mov'd to See whether Ezekiel Luce John Davis Edmond Cottle and John Gray Should be the S^{d} Committee to Divide the Inhabitants into the S^{d} Dristricts for the Convenancy of keeping S^{d} Schools in Tisbuary Voted in the Affirmative, and then Said Meeting was Adjorn'd to the Last Tuesday in September Next to Recieve the Report of S^{d} Commitee

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Met at the aboves'd Adjornment on the Last Tuesday of September AD 1792 in Order to Recieve the Report of the abovesd Committee which is as followeth Viz Wee the Subscribers being appointed A Committee to Devide the Town of Tisbuary into Districts in order for Schools have attended that Buisness and have Divided it into four Districts as follows Viz^{d} To begin at the Mill Brook at Chilmark Line between the Land of the Heirs of Benjamin Allen Deceased and the Lands: of Cornelius Dunham and down Said Brook untill it comes to the Grist Mill of Ezra Athearn then East Southerly So as to leve Joseph Athearn on the Noath and Jonathan Hammett on the South Easterly to

to the boundarys of Edgartown and all the Inhabitants to the Southward of Said Line to be the first District, And then all the Inhabitants from the Dwelling=house of the aforenamed Jonathan Hammett following the Road to the Noath Shore or the the Dwelling=house of William Luce untill it comes to the Fork of the Path called Rogerses Parth that Leads to Cornall Davises and then Noathwesterly till it Strikes the Sound Leaving Adonjiah Luce on the West and the Widdow Ruth Luce on the East and all the Inhabitants to the Westward of the Last mentioned Line to be the Second District, And then Return back to the Fork of the Aforsd Path Leading to Corn^{ll} Davis and then take the Road Leading to Homseshole till it comes to the Dwellinghouse of Silvanus Luce leaving Said Luce to the East and Thomas Cottle to the West and then Runing Northeasterly till it Strikes the Pond to the Eastward of the Dwelling House of Peter Luce and so on to the Sea and all the Inhabitants to the Westward of the Last Line till it comes to the Second District to be the third District or the North Shore District And all the Inhabitants to the Eastward of the forementioned Line from Silvanus Luces to the Pond near Peter Luces and so to the Sea to be the Fourth or Homseshole District, By us the Subscribers Dated at Tisbuary the 7th Day of August 1792 Edmund Cottle Ezekiel Luce John Davis John Gray Abraham Chase The above Instrument being brought into Townmeeting on the 25th of Sep^{tr} A D 1792 and then at Said meeting it was put to Vote to See whether the Voters then Present would make it their act and the Vote passed in the Affirmative, And also at Said Meeting it was Voted that the above Named Committee be a committee to devide the Monney already raisd for the Support of a Lawful School in Tisbuary According to the Number of Children in Each District Sett forth as above Males from (Twenty one year old and under, and Females from Eighteen years old and under, Voted also at Said meeting that Jethro Athearn William Foster and Elijah Look Ju^{nr} be a Committee to Provide A Schoolmaster and an House to keep a School in in the first District, as Sett forth as above to Transact what they may find to be nesceary for Said School, Voted also that John Davis Cornelius Dunham and Timothy Luce be A Committee for the Second District Voted that Nathan Smith Edmund Cottle and Peter Norton be A committee for the third District Voted Lastly that Samuel Look Timothy Chase and Abraham Chase be A Committee for the Fourth and Last District and all with the Same Power as Sett Forth in the first Distrs and then Said Townmeeting was Adjorn'd again to the Second Tuesday of October 1792

Ezra Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: Mett at the Aboves'd Adjornment on the Second Tuesday of October 1791 and after Some Debate Adjorn'd Said Meeting to the Second Day of November following A D. 1792

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Met at the Aboves'd Adjornment and Disolvd S^{d} Meeting

E A *T Clerk*

Delivered to John Allen Esqr _____ Eleven Dollars & 20^{s} old Tenor to be _____ Improved at Barnstable in Carrying on his Action against Eben^{zr} Rogers _____

July y^{e} 16 Day 1792

℘ me JABEZ ATHEARN

paid To Mr Gidley 27 – 15 6 Dollers & 8^{ll} 5^{s}
to Winthrop 3 Dollers
paid to Rugels 5 Dollers

Tisb^{r} ss: At a Town=Meeting Legally Warnd and held at the Court-House in Tisbuary by the Freeholders on Fryday y^{e} Second Day of November A D: 1792 in Order to Act upon Several things Inserted in A Warrant for calling the Same and at Said Meeting Shobal Cottle was Chosen Moderator And firstly for the Choice of Representatives for Congress and firstly Sixteen Votes ware put in for Peleg Coffin of Nantukett to be a Representative for Congress and Secondly Sixteen Votes was put in for John Davis of Plymoth to be a Representative for Congress, and Thirdly 16 Votes was put in for David Cobb of Taunten to be another Representative for Congress And also Solomon Freeman of harrswich was Chosen Elector for Congress by 15 Votes, Walter Spooner of Dartmouth was Chosen Elector for Congress by 15 Votes James Athearn of Tisbuary was Chosen Elector for Congress by 7 Votes put in, William Jonakins of Edgertown was Chosen Elector for Congress by Ten Votes put in Also at Said Meeting Ezekiel Luce Cornelius Dunham and Benjamine Allen was Chosen A Committee to Settle with James Athearn Esqr Agent for Tisbuary to Sell Some Pew Spots in the Meeting house in Tisbuary and also at Said Meeting and Set forth in the Notification to See Wheather the Voters then Present at S^{d} Meeting would Reconsider a Vote passed at a Townmeeting in Tisbuary on the 25th of November A D 1792 Wherein is Sett forth at Large that the

People of Homseshole ware Exempted from paying any More Taxes in Tisbuary for the Future Except Commonwealth Taxes,) at Said Meeting it was movd and Seconded to See whether the Voters then Present would Reconsider Said Vote and the Vote passed in the Affirmative that the former Vote be nul and Void and of no efect any more

Voted also at Said Meeting that Ezekiel Luce Cornelius Dunham and Benjamin Allen be a Committee to Examine all Town Accounts and to Settle with the Town Treasurer an to make Report at the Adjornment and then Said Meeting was Adjornd to the Last Tuesday in November A D 1792

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Met at the Above Adjornment and Voted to Raise on the Estates of Tisbuary Seventy Pounds for Mr Morses Sallery the Current year and Fifty Pounds to Defray Other Town Charges and then Said Meeting was Adjornd to the Last Tuesday of December 1792

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Met on the Above Adjornment and after Some Debate Disolvd Sd Meeting E A *T. C*

Tisbuary ss: At A Town Meeting Legally Warn'd and held at the Courthouse in Tisbuary on Tuesday the 25 Day of December 1792 in Order to See wheather the Voters then Present at Said meeting would pass a Vote to Exempt the Babtists from paying any Sallery to Mr Morse for the year A D: 1792 and after Some Debate Adjornd Said Meeting to the Fourteenth Day of January A D 1793

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss: At A Townmeeting Legally Warnd and held in Tisbuary on the 14th Day of January A D: 1793 in Order for the Choice of A Representative to Sit in Congress for the United States in America and at Said Meeting Nine Votes was put in for John Davis of Plymoth and Sixteen Votes was put in for Shear Jeshub of Barnstable

EZRA ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Town meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury by the freeholders Qualified to Vote in Town affairs met on Thursday the fourteenth day of march A D 1793 In order to

Chuse all Such officers as the law directs to be Chosen anuely in the month of march for the Currant year and at Said meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen modrator and all that are herein after named were Chosen by Vote of the Town to Serve in there Respective offices Viz Ezekiel Luce Town Clark James Athearn Esqr Joseph Athearn Nathan Smith Slectmen, Jethro Athearn Town Tresuerer Elijah Look Jn, Jonathan Athearn fence vewers, Benjamin allen Edmund Cottle Abraham Chase Surveyors of high ways Isaac Dagget Surveyor of Lumber Benjamin Allen Elijah Look Ju^{nr} Abraham Chase hog Reaves Jethro athearn Ezekeil Luce oversears of the Poor Enoch Luce Pound keeper and then Said meeting was ajourned to the first monday in april following A D 1793

Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Met on monday the first day of apriel according to adjournment and at S^{d}. meeting it was put to Vote wheather Thomas Buttler Jnr Should Sarve the Town of Tisbury in the office of Constable and Collector the Currant year in the room of Benjamin Allen and it passed in the Affarmitive and also at Said meeting Zacheriah Smith was Chosen Constable & Collector for the Distriet of Homeshole and then it was put to Vote wheather abraham Chase Should Sarve as Slect man the Currant year and it passed in the Affarmitive and also at S^{d} meeting there was 43 Votes put in for Jethro Athearn for County Tresuerer

Attest Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagel Town meeting Leagaly warnd and held at the Court House in Tisbury on monday the first day of apriel A D 1793 In order to Chuse a govenor Leiutenant Govnor and Senetor and at Said meeting there was Votes put in for the following Persons Viz 36 Votes for John Hencock Esqr to be govenor for the State of Massachusetts the present Year 35 Votes was put in for Samuel Adams Esqr to be Leiutenent Govenor & 18 Votes put in for Shoble Cottle Esqr for Senetor & 20 Votes was put in for William Jornagan for Senetor for the County, of Dukes County & Nantucket

attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

At A Leagle Town meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on the tenth Day of may A D 1793 James athearn was Chosen moderator for the purpus of Chuseing Sum person to Represent

S^d^ Town at the Supream Juditial Court at Barnstable to answer to an inditement brought against the town of Tisbury for not being provided with a town School agreeable to the laws of the Commonwealth and at Said meeting Decn Stephen Luce was Chosen by the mager part of the Voters then present

Test EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At A Leagal town meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the thirteenth day of may A D 1793

In order (as the Law of the Common Wealth requiers) for the Choice of a Representative to Represent S^d^ Town at the great and General Court at Boston and at S^d^ meeting the Votes ware brought in and Sorted and Counted and John Davis had ten Votes & Benjamin Allen had twenty three Vots And was Chosen

Test EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury may 13 1793

Tisbury ss at a Leagel Town Meeting leagely warnd and held at the Court house In Tisbuy on the 21st day of may AD 1793 in order as it is Set forth in the notification of the Choice of Some Sutable Persons as a Comitte to Respond to the Pettition of the Inhabatants of Homes hole and at S^d^ meeting first James Athearn Esqr was Chosen modrator and then it was put to Vote whether James Athearn Esqr Joseph Athearn & Willm Case Should be the Committe for the above S^d^ purpose and it passed in the affarmitive

Attest

EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal town meeting duly Warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on fryday the 13th day of September A Domine 1793 agreeable to a notification for Calling a town meeting To See if the Voters of the town of Tisbury Would pass a Vote that the Inhabatants of Homeshole and others that have Joynd them in a Petition to the general Court of this Common Wealth for a release from paying Ministeral Taxes in Tisbury have for the future Such part of the preaching byt he Settled minester in Tisbury, Carried on in homes hole in proportion to the taxes they may pay towards the minesters Sallery in S^d^ Town and at S^d^ meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen modrator of S^d^ meet-

ing and a Vote was Called to See whether the town or Voters then present would Vote the above proposals and the Vote passd in the affarmitive

attest EZEKIEL LUCE *Tow Clark*

Tisbury ss At a leagel Town meeting duly warned according to Law and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 18th day of November A D 1793 in order to raise a Sum of money to pay the Revrand Mr. Morses Sallery and at Sd meeting it was moved and Seconted and put to Vote whether the Sum of Seventy pounds Should be raised for the above purpose and the Vote passed in the affarmitive Secondly agreable to the notification it was moved and Seconted whether the Sum of fifty pounds Should be raised to defray the town of Tisbureys nesecary Charges for the Currant year and it was put to Vote and the Vote passed in the affarmetive and the Sd Sum of fifty pounds was Voted to to be assed on the poles and Estates of the Inhabatants of Sd Tisbury

Tisbury Novmber 18th 1793

Reccorded ꝑr me

EZEKIEL LUCE (*T Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Town meeting Leagely warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 9th day of Decemr A D 1793 for the following purposes (as Set forth in a notification for Calling the Same) Viz to raise a Sum of money for the Support of a Town School, and at Sd meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen moderator and it was put to Vote whether the Sum of £70 Should be raised for the Sd town School and the Vote passed in the affarmitive And at Sd meeting the following persons was Voted as a Committe for the Several districts to provide masters for the Several Schools and houses to keep the School in and all other nescereys for Sd Schools, Viz in the first district was Voted Jethro Athearn Ezekiel Luce Elijah Look a Committe for the first district, the Second district John Davis Cornelus Dunham and Timothy Luce to be a Committe for the above purposes Voted that Nathan Smith Edmond Cottle Peter Norton be a Committe for the third district Voted fourthly and Lastly that Samuel Look Timothy Chase and Abraham Chase be a Committe with the Same power as the first and all the other Committes in regard to School matters

Tisbury Decmr the 9th A D 1793

by me EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss at a meting legaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 7th day of apriel being the first monday in Said month for the Choice of govener Lieutenant govener and Senetors and at Sd meeting there was 2 Vots put in for the following persons Viz Samuel Adams of boston had 28 Votes Moses gill had 2 Vots Willm Cuishen had 4 Vots for govenor) and Moses gill had 7 Vots Nathaniel gorham had 21 Vots for Lieutanant govener and for Senetors for the Countys of plymouth Nantucket and Dukes County Isaac Tomson John Davis plymouth had 22 Vots Each Benjm Baset Esqr had 15 Vots for Senetors William Jarnagans had 15 Vots for Senetor

Ezekiel Luce *T Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Courte hous in Sd Tisbury agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same for the Choice of all town officers as the law requiers to Chosen anuely in the month of march or apriel Sd meeting held on monday ye 7 day of apriel A D 1794 at Sd meeting Shoble Cottle Esqr was Chosen moderator of Sd meeting and the following persons was Chosen into the following offices Viz Ezekiel Luce was Chosen Town Clark James athearn Esqr Joseph athearn Abraham Chase was Chosen Slect men for the insewing year & Ezekiel Luce Joseph allen Jonathan Manter Peter Norton ware Chosen overseers of the poor, Jethro Athearn Town Tresuerer James Case Chosen Constable, Shuble Cottle Esqr Abraham Chase Robart Look Surveyors of highways, Edmund Cottle Isaac Daggett Surveyors of Lumber, Isaac Dagget Collecter of Taxes for the District of homeshole for the Currant year, John Davis Edmund Cottle fence Vewers Rufus Spalding Thomas Wheldon matthew Smith hog reaves Enoch Luce pound keeper, and at Said meeting Corenelus Dunham John Davis Ezekiel Luce was Chosen a Committe to Examine all Town accts., and to draw Sum plan for the more Conveniant way of Supporting the poor in Said town and to report at the ajournment and Said meeting was ajourned to the 28th Day of this Instant apriel

Test Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

At A legal meeting of The inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified by the constitution to voate for representatives holden at Said Tisbury on the 7 day of April A D 1794

The Said inhabitants gave in their votes for County Treaseuer and

the Same being counted and Sorted in the meeting by the moderator thereof and Town clark it appeared that there were for Jethro Athearn 31 votes

Attest Ezekiel Luce *T. C*

Apriel 28 1794

Tisbury ss met at the ajournment and the following persons ware Chosen to the following offices Viz Joseph Claghorn Chosen Collecter of taxes for the district of homes hole James Athearn Esqr Chosen Sealer of waits and mesuers and then Said meeting was ajourned to the 2nd monday in may

Test Ezek^{L} Luce *T Clark*

1794 Tisbury ss the Inhabatants of the town met at the Court house in S^{d} Tisbury on the Second monday of may or 12th according to ajournment and at S^{d} meeting the request of Mr Yong was taken up for which he Petitoned the town for an allowance on the fall of paper money that he recieved in the year 1776 & 77 for his wages for keeping the Town School in S^{d} Tisbury and after Some Debate on the matter it was put to Vote whether the Sum of Six pounds Should be allowed him for the loss of money and the Vote passed in the affarmitive then the S^{d} meeting was ajourned to be held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 19th of this Instant at four oClock P m and allso the meeting for Choice of Represenetive

May ye 12th 1794 Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting leagaly Warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the nineteenth day of may 1794 for the Choice of a representitive as is required by the Constitution of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts and at S^{d} meeting the Vots ware put in Counted and and there was twelve Vots for Benjn allen and he was Chosen and at S^{d} meeting it was put to Vote whether the represenetive Should be under the Direction of the Slect men in regard to his attending the Court a and the Vote passed in the affarmetive,

Ezek^{L} Luce *Town Clark*

May 19th 1794

Tisbury ss meet at the Court house according to adjournment of the march meeting and adjourned S^{d} meeting again to the Second Day of June or one fortenight from that time

Attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbuary ss at a meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on tuesday the 19th day of august AD 1794 for the following purpose Viz to See if the town would pass a Vote to purchase Mr Henery Younges house and at Sd meeting Shubel Cottle Esqr was Chosen moderator of Said meeting then it was moved and Seconded and put too Vote whether the Voters then present would purchase Sd house and it Voted in the affarmetive to purchas Sd house at the Aprisal of Mrsrs Mayhew Adams & Matthew Tilton of Chilmark

attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

At a leagal Town meeting duly warned according to an act of the general Court for Calling and holding the Same held at Court house in Tisbury on monday the third day of Novr A D 1794 for the Choice of Representative for Congress and at Sd meeting theire was Eighteen Vots given in all for Nathl Freeman Junr of the Sothern district

attst — Ezekiel Luce *T: Clark*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in tisbury on monday ye 8 day of Decmr 1794 in order to Chuse Some person as agent to appear before the Court of general Sessions of the peace to be holden at tisebury on the 9th day of Decmr A D 1794 to answer to a petition presented to Sd Court by Samul Look & Thomas Cottle of Tisbury to have ther minesters tax remitted and Sade meeting Shoble Cottle Esqr was Chosen moderator then it was moved and Seconted whether Ezekiel Luce Should be agant to appear before Sd Court and the Vote pased in the affarmetive

Atts Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 22nd day of December AD 1794 agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same and at Said meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen moderator and at Said meeting agreeable to the notification for Calling the Same it was then Voted by the Voters then present that Ezekiel Luce Benjamin allen Cornelus Dunham on the part of the town of Tisbury westward of Savages line and Samuel Look Thomas Cottle John Homes on the part of Said town Eastward of Said line be a Committe to meet at Some time and place by them to be agreead upon in order to Settle any disputes Subsisting or that may arise with regard to Minestearil Taxes in Said town and in Case the Said Committe Should

not agree they are to Call in the assistance of Mr Matthew Mayhew Junr of Chillmark the Determination of them or the major part of them to be for the future regulation of minesteril Taxes upon both Sides of the before discribed line as well as any other disputes with regard to back taxes.

Said Committe to make report at the adjournment of this meeting

Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Also at Said meeting agreeable to the notification it was then and there moved and Seconded whether Ezekiel Luce Benjamin Allen & Abraham Chace Should be a Committe to Settle with the Town Tresuerer and all other town accounts not before Settled and the Vote passed in the affarmitive

attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

and Said meeting was adjourned from that day 3 weeks or the twelvth day of Janeuary next to meet again at the Court house in Tisbury at one o the Clock p.m

Tisbury ss meet at the Court house in Tisbury according to ajournment of the aforsaid 12 day of Jana AD 1795 and at the meeting it was put to Vote wheather Shubel Cottle es Mr Joseph Allen and Thomas Jones Should be a Committ to wait on the Revnd Mr Morse in regard to his Sallery the present year to See and Conferr with him on Some Sum to be paid him for his Savis the present year it being put to Vote the Vote pased in the affarmetive

then Said meeting was ajourned till monday ye 19th of this instant —

attst Ezekl Luce *T. Clark*

Tisbury ss meet agreeable to the ajourment at the Court house and after Some debate Said meeting was ajourned till monday ye 26 of this present month Jana 1795

att Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss January the 12 1795

We the Subscribers being Chosen by Vote of the town of Tisbury to meet and Consult with Each other with regard to Some disputes Concarning minesteral taxes in Said town and to Endevour to form Some plan by which means the Ihabatants of Sd town on the West Side of a

line Called Savages line and those on the East of S^{d} line may regulate themselves as to paying there respective minesters on each Side of the aforsaid line and allso to Settle Some disputes with Some of those people on the East Side of Said line with regard to some back taxes

We having asembeled our Selves for the purposes aforsaid and taking into our most Serious Consideration the State of matters which do at this time Exist as a point that has been much Controvarted about and is Still Existing and haveing a real desier that peace truth & Equity may at this and all times take place. We hereby agree to the following articuals hereafter named Viz that the taxes of all those persons to the East of the aforsaid Saveges line have there taxes remitted in the bills in which they have been taxed to pay to the Rev^{d} Mr Morses Sallery as far back as the year of our Lord 1787 this intends no more then those persons who are now living between the aforsaid Saveges line and Cuteshmoo Spring and So on the west Side of the pond to the Sound and no more

And we further agree that the people on the East Side of the aforsaid Saveges line forthwith petition the general Court that they may be Sett off as a precinct or parish and that the town Join with them in this petition the above being presented to the town for their Excptence and was put to Vote to See whether the town would Excpt the above proposals and the Vote pased in the affarmitive Signed by the Subscribers a true entery by me

Ezekiel Luce *T. Clark*

a Committe Chosen by the town of Tisbury

Samuel Look
Benjamin Allen
Thomas Cottle
Ezek^{L} Luce

Tisbury ss at a Town meeting Leagaly warnd and held at the Court house in S^{d}. Tisbury on monday the Sixteenth day of Feb^{r}. A D 1795 and agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same to hear the report of a Committe that was Chosen to wait on the Revn^{d} Mr Morse to Consult Somthing in regard to his Continuing in the work of the minestry and after Some debate on the answer of the Committe it was put to Vote whether the inhabatants of the town would retain the Rev^{d}. Mr Morse in the work of the minestry any longer or not and the Vote to retain him pased in the affaretive and then at Said meeting agreeable to the notifica-

tion for Calling the Same it was put to Vote and the Vote passed in the affarmitive that the Sum of Eighty pounds be assed on the inhabatants of the Town of Tisbury to defray thee Towns Debts alredy due and all other insidentels Charges and at Said meeting Jethro Athearn & Timothy Lumbart was Chosen by S^d town to Sell the house that the town bought of Henery Yong at public Vendue or any other way they Should think best

Tisbury Feb^r 16th 1795

Attst Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal meeting warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on fryday the third day of apriel A D 1795 for the Choice of all Such Town officers as the law directs and at Said meeting Shoble Cottle Esqr was Chosen Modorator of Said meeting and at Said meeting the following persons was Chosen into there respective offices as followeth Viz Ezekiel Luce Town Clark was Sworn Nathan Smith Ezekiel Luce was Sworn Elijah Look ^Jnr Slect men Jethro Athearn Town tresuerer was Sworn Peter Norton was Chosen Constable Jesse Luce Collector for the District of Homeshole and So far westward as the line Called Savages line Shobel Cottle Esqr Isaac Daggett Surviors of Lumber Timothy Lumbart Peter Merrey Thomas Wheldon hogreaves Joseph Chase Benjamin allen Jethro athearn Joseph Athearn Jonathan Manter Surviors of highways Benjamin allen John Davis was Chosen by the town as a prudential Committe to act as agent to Examine town accounts and to Call upon and Settle any matters that respicts the town and to take Care that the towns intrest be not lost or Spent needlessly to Examine and Collect the towns depts if they find any in arrears and to make report at the next anuel meeting Benjamin Allen John Daves fence Vewers Joseph allen John Davis Samuel Look over sears of the poor and Said meeting was adjournd to the first monday in apriel to meet at the Court house in Tisbury at two o Clock P M

attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

A a Leagal meeting of the inhabatants of The Town of Tisbury qualified by the Constitution to Vote for representitives holden at Tisbury on friday the third day of apriel A D 1795

The Said inhabatants Gave in there Votes for a County Tresuerer and the Same being Counted in the meeting by the moderator there of and Town Clark it appeared that there were for Jethro Athearn 34 Votes

attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

meet at the ajournment of S^{d} march meeting and ajourned to the 27 day of apriel 1795 till four o Clock in the afternoon

E Luce *T Clar*

Tisbury ss. At a meeting of the male inhabatants of the town of Tisbury in the County and district of plymouth Dukes County Nantucket in the Common Wealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution of Said Common wealth to Vote for govener Lieuten govener Senetors and Representitives: the Said meeting being warned as the Said Constitution directs and holden on the Sixth day of apriel being the first monday of Said month A D 1795 for the purpose of giving in there Votes for govenor Lieutenant govenor of Said Common Wealth and Senetors for Said District Votes for the following persons were givin in Counted and Sorted and recorded and declaration thereof made as followeth for govener for Samuel Adames Esq 16 Votes for Moses gill for Lieu^{t} govener 16 Votes

attst Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Votes for Senetor for John Daves of plymouth had 15 Vots Isaac Tomson for Senetor had 14 Votes Peleg Coffin of Nantucket had 17 Votes for Senetor

attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss mett at adjournment of the anevarsery meeting held on the 3rd day of apriel and So by adjourment to the 27th and then mett on Said day and adjourned to the Six of may A. D. 1795 at four o Clock P M

Atts Ezek^{L} Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss the Inhabatants of Tisbury meett at the Court house agreeable to the above adjournment and James Case was Chosen Constable and Exepted the office in the room and Stead of Peter Norton and took the oath by law requiered for a Constable and Collecter

Attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

At a meeting Leagaly warned and held at ye Court house in Tisbury on thursday the twenty second day of October 1795 agreeable to a notification for calling the Same for the purpose of raising Some Sum of money to defray the nesseary Charges of the town the Currant year and at Said meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen moderator then it was moved and Seconded and put to Vote whether the Sum of Seventy

pounds Should be raised for to pay the nesseary debts of the town Seperate from Mr Morses Sallery and the Vote passed in the affarmitive

Attst Ezekiel Luce *Clark*

Entred oct^{r} 23 1795

Dec^{m} 2^{d} 1795 This certifies that I have this day received one hundred Dollars for the principal and Interest of the within mentioned Note of hand of Mr Samuel Deman by the hans of Mr Elihu Luce for Mr Walter Boardman this reciet being left in my care Benj^{a} Basset

Enterd on the Town book of records in Tisbury this 28 day of march A D 1796

by me Ezekiel Luce *T. Clark*

Tisbury ss

At a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on wednesday the Sixth day of Janeuary A D 1796 for the following purposes Viz to See if the town would Chuse a Committe to Join a Committe of the inhabatants of homes hole all is on the East of a line Called Saveges line in perfering a petition to the general Court that Said inhabatants might be incorporated in to precinct or parish and at Said meeting Ezekiel Luce was Chosen moderator then it was moved and Seconed whether there Should be a Committe Chosen for the aforsaid purpos and this Vote passed in the affarmetiv then it was put to Vote whether Nathan Smith Benjamin Allen Eijah Look J^{nr} Should be the Said Committe and the Vote passed in the afarmetive theen Said meeting was adjourned to the 13th day of this instant a one o Clock p. m to meet at the Court house

Attst Ezekiel Luce *Clark*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting duly warned an held at the Court house in Tisbury on wednesday the Sixth day of Janauary A D 1796 and adjourned to wednesday the thirteenth of Said month and then meet a the Court house in Said tisbury and being asembled and the question was taken whether the town would Joyn the inhabatants of Homeses hole So Called in there petition to the genarel Court that Said inhabatants be incorperated into a parish agreeable to ther petition and the Vote pased in the affarmitive

and at Said meeting the question was taken agreeable to a notification whether the town would raise a Sum of money for the Support of a town School and it being put to Vote whether the Sum of Seventy

pounds Should be raised for that purpose and the Sum of Seventy pounds was Voted to be assesed on the poles and Estates of the inhabatants of Said town Tisbury Janauary 13. 1796

EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting duly warned and held at tisbury on fryday the 22 Second day of Janauary 1796 agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same and in Said notification it was insearted whether the town of tisbury would Chose Some person to Settle a demand of the town of Middelborrough brought against the town of Tisbury for the Expences of John Rogers and his wife So Called Paupers Said to be the inhabatants of the town of Tisbury and at Said meeting it was Voteed that the Selectmen right to the Selecctmen of Middleborough to Refuse there demand and also at Said meeting it was Voted that Ezekiel Luce board up the meeting hous windows that are broken and Repair them for the present

att EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clar*

At a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 4th day of Apriel being the first Monday in Said month in the year 1796 for the following purposes Viz first agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same in order that the qualified Voters then present Should put in there Votes for govenor Lieutenant-governor and Senetors and at Said meeting Votes ware put in Counted and Sorted and Decleration thereof made for the persons following Viz for governor Samuel Adams Esqr had 25 Votes Increas Sumner of Roxbury had 12 Votes for Leiutenant govr Moses gill had 29 Votes, for Senetor William Jarnagan had 27 Votes Peleg Coffin had 4 Votes for Senetor

Attest EZEKL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 4th day of aprel A D 1796 for the purpose following Viz to put in Votes for County Register and County Tresuerer and at Said meeting Votes ware put in and Counted and Samuel Smith Junr. had 37 Votes for County Regr. and Jethro Athearn of Tisbury had 35 Votes for County Tresuerer

Attst EZEKL. LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Courthouse in Tisbury on monday the 4th day of apriel 1796 for the purpose of acting Somthing in regard to a town School or Schools in Sd town and at Said meeting it was Voted that there Should be a Committe Chosen to devide the town in to districts for keeping Schools and to devide a Sum of money already raised in town for the Support of a town School or Schools and at Said meeting the following persons were Chosen a Committe to do the aforsaid business Viz Ezekiel Luce John Davis Edmund Cottle Timothy Chase Peter Norton and to make Report of there doings at the ajournment which meeting was ajourred to thersday the 18 of this instant to meet again at the Court house in Tisbury at tow o Clock P M

EZEKL LUCE *Clark*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the 4th day of apriel A D 1796 for the purpos following namly to Chuse all Such town officers in the town that are requiered by Law to be Chosen anuely in the month of march or apriel and Shuble Cottle Esqr was Chosen Moderator and then the following person were Chosen into the Respective offices Viz Ezekiel Luce Town Clark Nathan Smith John Davis Joseph Claghorn Selectmen Jethro Athearn town Tresuerer Elisha Luce Constable Salvenus Luce Collecter of taxes for the town in the East parish in tisbury then the meeting was ajournd to the 18 day of this instant at 2 oClock to meet again at the Court house

Meet at the Court house agreeable to the ajournment on the 18th day of apriel and the following persons were Chosen into there respective offices namely Mr Nathan Smith refusing to Serve as Selectman Ezekiel Luce was Chosen Selectman with the above John Davis Joseph Claghorn and Sworn to there office Elijah Luce Chosen Constable to Sarve in the Stead of Elisha Luce who was Chosen to Serve in that office Sd Elijah was Sworn to his office Job Look Ebnezer Jones Joseph Chace Jonathan manter Survyors of high ways Shuble Cottle Esqr Joseph Claghorn Surviors of Lumber, Timothy Lumbart John Davis Joseph Châce fence Vewers, Hugh Cathcart Ebnezer allen Peter merry hog reaves, Jonthan Manter John Gray Peter Norton oversears of the poor, Enoch Luce pound keeper Elijah Look Jr Matthew Manter School Committe for the first district in Tisbury, Jonathan Athearn Cornelus Dunham for the Second district Nathan Smith Peter Norton for the third district & John

Holmes Timothy Chace for the district of Homeshole Entered on the towns Record the 19th day of apriel 1796

by me EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At a meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on fryday the twentyeth day of may A D 1796 for the purpose following Viz agreeable to a notification for calling the Same to See if the Voters then preasent would pass a Vote to prevent goats from runing at larg on the Commons in tisbury and the Vote being called it passed in the affarmitive and also to See if a Vote Could be obtained to prevent the Sheep from runing at large on the Common lands in S^d^ Tisbury and the Vote being called the Vote passed in the affarmetive that the Sheep Should be allowed to run on the Commons till the twentyeth day of June and no longer and then Said meeting was adjourned to fryday the twenty Seventh of this instant to meet again at the Court house at three o Clock P M

attst EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on fryday the Seventh day of October 1796 for the purpose of Chusing Some person as agent in behalf of the Town of Tisbury to appear at the Court of general Sessessions of the peace next to be holden at Tisbury in and for the County of dukes County on the Last tuesday of October instant, to answer at Said Court to an inditement brought against Said town for not repairing the public road leading through tisbury to Chillmark and at Said meeting it was put to Vote wheather Decon Stephen Luce Should be the person to appear at Said Court in behalf of the town and the vote passed in the affarmetive

attst EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting of the inhabatants of the town of Tisbury qualified by the Constitution to Vote for Representitive holden at at Said Tisbury on monday the 7th day of Novr A D 1796 the Said inhabatants brought in there Votes for County Regester and the Same being Counted there were 31 Votes for Sam^ll^ Smith

attst E LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting of the inhabatants of the tow Tisbury holden at the Court house in Said Tisbury on monday the 7th day of

november A D 1796 for the purpose of raising Some Sum or Sums of money to defray the nesseary Charges of the tow the Currant year and at Said meeting James Athearn Esqr was Chosen moderator of the meeting and it was then moved and Seconted and put to Vote agreeable to the notification whether the Sum of fifty pounds Should be assess on the poles and estates of the inhabatants of Tisbury and the Vote being Calld it passed in the affarmitive

Attest Ezekiel Luce *T. Clark*

Enterd novmber 8th 1796

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the Seventh day of novm A D 1796 for the purpose of giving in ther votes for an elector of Presidant and Vice President of the united States and also at Said meeting to give there Votes for federal Representitives for Congress and at Said meeting the inhabitants then present brought in there votes and the Same being Sorted and counted it appeared that the names of the persons Voted for and the number of Votes were as followeth viz for Ebenezer Bacon Esqr of Barnstable had 22 Votes for Elector Willm Jarnagan Esqr of Edgartown had 6 Votes for elector Peleg Coffin Esqr of Nantucket had 27 Votes for Representitive for Congress

Entered on Record this 8th day of november A D 1796

by me Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting of the male inhabatants of Tisbury duly warned and held at the Court house in S^{d} town on monday the third day of apriel being the first monday in Said month for the Voters to give in there Votes for govenor Leiutanant govenor and Senetors and the Votes being given in Counted and Sorted and the decelaration mede thereon there was Votes for the following persons for govenor Increase Sumner Esa^{r} of Roxburough had 34 Votes James Suleven Esqr had 3 for govenor for Leiu^{t}, govenor Moses gill Esqr had 24 Votes James Suleven Esqr 4 Votes for Leiut govenor for Senetors peleg Coffin Nantucket had 32 Votes for Senetor Isaac Tomson of mddlebourough had 17 Beza Hayward had 5 Votes Benjn Whitman had 10 Vots for Senetor

Enterd on the record this 4th day of apriel A D 1797

by Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting of the inhabatants of the Said town of Tisbury qualified by the Constitution to Vote for Reperesentitive holden at Said Tisbury on the 3rd day of apriel A D 1797 the Sd inhabatants gave in there Vots for County Treasuerer and the Same being Counted and Sorted by the modorator and town Clark it appeared that there were for Jethro athearn 31 Votes

atts Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal meeting of the inhabatants of the town of Tisbury held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the third day of apriel A D 1797 for the Choice of all Such town officers as is by law requiered to be Chosen anuely in the month of March or apriel and also agreeable to a notification for Calling Sd. meeting to raise Some Sum or Sums of money for the necesary Charges of the town the Currant year, and the Voters being assembled the following persons were Chosen into there respective offices Viz (James athearn Esqr was Chosen moderator of Said meeting) Ezekiel Luce Town Clark Ezekiel Luce John Davis Samuel Look Seleetmen Jethro Athearn Town Tresuerer Joseph Look Chosen to Sarve a Constable the present year Timothy Chace Collector of taxes in the east parish in Tisbury Jonathan Mantor Shuble Cottle Esqr Peter Norton Joseph Athearn Mathew Mantor Surviors of high ways Joseph Claghorn Edmund Cottle Survyors of Lumber Joseph Chace Abraham Chace Benjamin Allen fence Vewers William Case Timothy Chase Peter west Tythingmen Isaac Daggett Enoch Luce hogreaves Enoch Luce pound keeper Shoble Cottle Benjamin Allen Jonathan Mantor overseears of the poor, and at Said meeting it was Voted that the Sum of 250 dollars be assessed on the inhabatans of Sd Town for the Support of a School and also at Said meeting it was Voted that the Selectmen Sign a Certificate with Doctr Rufus Spalding to the general Court to try to obtain his bill for attending John Crocker a forener when Sick a homashole then Sd. meeting was adjournd till monday the 10th of apriel instant at four o Clock in the afternoon to meet again at the Court house in Tisbury

Attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Mett at Court house agreeable to the above adjournment and the following buiseness was transacted at Sd meeting Viz Joseph Look being Chosen Constable at the former meeting and was dismissed from the office at the adjournment and Elijah Luce Chosen Constable the Currant

year & William Case Cornelus Dunham Chosen Committe on accounts for the the town Currant year and to Settle with the town of Tisburys Treasuerer

Attest Ezekiel Luce *T. Clark*

Tusbury ss at a meeting of the inhabatants of Said town Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in S^{d} Tisbury for the purpose of Chossing a Committe to Join the other Commites that are or may be Chosen in Dukes County for to Consult about the Establishment of an academy in Said County and at Said meeting Shuble Cottle Esqr was Chosen modorator and the following persons was Chosen to be the Committe Viz Rev. Arserelah Morse Edmund Cottle Peter West to Join the other Commits to Consult about the aforsaid purpose Said meeting was held on the Seventeenth day of may A D 1797

Attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss at a meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on wednesday the 27th of Septr A D 1797 for the purpose of Choosing Committes for dviding a Sum of money raised for the Support of a town School and also to Choose Committes in the Several School districts in S^{d} town to provide masters for each destrict and to Superentend the Same and at Said meeting Edmund Cottle Rufus Spalding John Daves and Samuel Look was Chosen to devide the money and the the Committes in the Several districts for S School keeping were as followeth Viz in the first Mathew Manter Second John Daves and Cornelus Dunhan third Edmund Cottle fourth Timothy Chase & Samuel Look

Entered on Reccord oct^{r} 25 1797

by Ezekiel Luce *T. Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on Wednesday the 28th o^{f} March A D 1798 for the purposes following Viz first for Choosing all Such town officers that are required by law to be Chosen annuely in the months of march or april and Secondly at Said meeting agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same to raise Some Sum of money to pay the Nessesary Charges of the town the Currant year And at said meeting the following officers was Chosen Viz James Athearn Esqr moderator of Sd meeting Ezekiel Luce Clark Ezekiel Luce John Davis Samuel Look ware Chosen Select men and Sworn for this year Shuble Cottle Esqr Benj^{a} Allen Jon^{a} Mantr over-

seers of the poor Jonathan Athearn Constable Thomas Dunham Collector of taxes for the East paish in Tisbury, Abraham Chase Wm Luce Matthew Mantor Surveyors of highways Edmund Cottle Joseph Claghorn Surveyors of Lumber Timo Lumbart Benjamin Allen Joseph Chase fence Vewers Enoch Luce pound keeper Jethro Athearn Town Treasuerer, and also at Said meeting Doctr Rufus Spalding Willm Case were Chosen a Committe to Examin town accounts and at Said meeting agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same the Sum of two hundred dollars was Voted by the town to pay the Nessessary Charges of the town the Currant year to be assessed on the polls and Estats of Said town and then Said meeting was adjournd to the first monday in april at 2 oClock in the afternoon to be holden at the Court house

attest Ezekiel Luce *Clar*

Mett at the adjournment and Jona Athearn and Thomas Dunham appeard at Sd meeting and Except there offices as above and at Sd meeting the Sum of Eight pence on the pound was Voted to Said Collectors for Collecting the publick and town taxes the Currant year

Attst Ezekl Luce *Clar*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting duely warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on the first monday in april for the Choice of govener Liut. govenor and Senetor and County Treasuerer in Dukes County and the Votes for govener being given in Sorted and Counted and declaration thereon being made there was 20 Votes for Increase Sumner for govenor Leiut. govenor Moses gill had 20 Votes for Senetor William Jarnagan had 13 Votes Benjn. Basett had 4 Votes Edmund Cottle had 4 Beriah Norton had 1; for County Tresh Jethro Athearn had 21 Votes

Entrd Mond the 2d of apriel 1798 Ezekl Luce *T Clar*

At a Leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on the first monday in November 1798 for the Choice of Reperesintitive in the first Southern district for choice of Reprt. for Congress of the united States of America and at Said meeting the Votes being given in Counted & Sorted and declaration thereon being made there was 13 Votes for Beriah Norton Esqr.

Entrd the first monday in Novr 1798

Ezekl Luce *Clark.*

At a Leagal meeting duly warnd and held at the Court house in Tisbury on Thursday the Seventeenth day of Jan^{a} 1799 agreeabale to a precept from the Secr^{a} of the Commonwealth for Calling the Same for a Second Choice for Rep^{t} for the Congres and the inhabatants of Said town gave in there Votes and being Counted and Sorted and declaration being made it apperd there was Votes for the following persons for Rep^{t} as above Viz for Lemuel Willians Esqr had 27 Votes and Beriah Norton Esqr had 4 Votes Micajah Coffin had 2 Votes

Enterd Jan^{a} 17th 1799 Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the first day of april 1799 for the Choice of govenor Leiut govenor and Senetors for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Treasuerar for Dukes County and Representitive in the first Southern Distrect for the Congress of the united Stats of amarica and at Said meeting the Votes being given in Counted and Sorted and declaration made in open meeting there was Votes for the following persons Viz for Increase Sumnor Esqr for govenor 34 Votes for Willm Heath Esqr 1 Vote for Leuit govenor Moses gill had 37 Votes for Senetors for Isaac Tompson had 27 Votes for Beza Howard had 10 Votes Benjamin Whitman had 20 Votes Mathew Mayhew had 22 Votes Benj^{a} Allen had 7 Votes for federal Representitive for Congress Doct^{r} Samuel Savage of Barnstable had 28 Votes Micajah Coffin Nantucket had 6 Votes Lemuel Williams had 1 Vote for County Treasuerer Jethro Athearn had 34 Vots

Entred this first day of april 1799 by Ezekiel Luce

T Clark

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting duly warned and Held at the Court house in Tisbury on Monday the first day of april A D 1799 agreeable to a notification for Calling the Same Viz for the Choice of all Such Town officers as are by law requiered to be Chosen anuely in the month of march or april and to raise Some Sum of money to defray the nessessary Charges of the town the Currant year and at Said meeting Shobel Cottle Esqr was Chosen moderator then those persons following ware Chosen into office to Serve the Year insewing Viz Ezekiel Luce was Chosen Town Clark Ezekiel Luce John Davis Samul Look Select men Jethro Athearn Town Treasuerer Joseph allen Constable Abijah Luce Collector of Taxes in the East precinct of Tisbury Shubel Dunham Joseph Athearn Elijah Look J^{r} overseers of the poor Timothy Lumbart Doct^{r}

Rufus Spalding Jonathan athearn Joseph Chace Abraham Chace Hogreaves Edmund Cottle Joseph Claghorn Surveyors of lumb Benjamin Allen Nathan Smith William Case fence Vewers Benjamin Allen Solomon athearn William Luce & Shuble Dunham Surveyors of highways and at Said meeting the Sum of 200 dollars was Voted to be assessed on the poles and Estats of the inhabatants of Tisbury to defray the nessessary Charges of Said Town the Currant year and also at Said meeting it was Voted that the tax on dogs be Remitted and the money returned by the Constable that he had recived of any for the dog tax and then Said meeting was adjourned to meet again at the Court hous in Said town on monday the 15th day of this instant at four o Clock p. m

Entred apriel 1st 1799 by me Ezekiel Luce *Clark*

Tisbury ss then the inhabatants of Tisbury assembld according to adjournment and Cornelus Dunham accepted the office of Constable in the place of Joseph allen and was Sworn to the office and Enoch Luce was Chosen pound keeper Elisha Bassett was Chosen Collector of taxes for the East precinct in Tisbury Abijah Luce being dismised from the choice William Athearn Benjn Allen Hugh Cathcart Comitte to Examin Town accounts and at Said meeting it was Voted to remand payment to Jona Manter for his bill for Suporting Elijah Daggetts widow and bill to Doctr Benja Trask when Sd Dagget was Sick and also at Sd meeting it was put to Vote wheather the Sum of 400 dollars Should be raised for a town School and the Vote passed in the negative then it was moved whether the town would Vote that the Sheep and goats Should be taken of the Commons from runing at large in Tisbury and the Vote pased in the affarmitive and also that hogs Should not run at large on the Commons in Tisbury and at Said meeting william Athearn Joseph allen Job Look peter Horton Abraham Chase Elijah Luce was Chosen field drivers for the presint year and Benjn Allen & willm Athearn a Committe to Examin the law with regard to moving Elijah Daggets widows from Tisbury and report at the adjournment and Said meeting was adjourned to the Second Tuesday in may to meet again at the Court hous in Tisbury

Atts Ezekl Luce *Clark*

Agreeable To an adjourment of the anual meeting to the fourteentteth of May the the inhabatants of Tisbury assembeled at the Court house in Sd town and passed the following Votes Viz Elisha Bassett being Chosen Collector of taxes in the East precinct in Said town and appared

and was Excused by Vote of the town and Joseph Merrey was Chosen Collector in the East precinct in Tisbury the insewing year & Benjamin Allen & William Athearn was Chosen overseears of the poor in addition to those Chosen before and at Said meeting it was Voted that Isaac Daggett purches Six bushels of Sea coal and one hundred W^{t} of barr iron for Mr Sam^{ll} Lewis at the Towns Expence the Said Lewis applying to the town for assestance he being poor and not able to purches them himself and then Said meeting was adjourned to the 27 day of this instant to meet again at the Courthouse in S^{d} Town at four o Clock P. M

Tisbury May 14th 1799 EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

Tisbury ss then on the 27th days of may the inhabatants of Said town assembled at the Court house according to Adjournment and Joseph Merry who was Chosen Collector of taxes in the East precinct in Tisbury at thee last adjournment appered and Exepted to Serve and Abraham Chase was offered to Serve for Said Merry and was Exepted by Vote of the town and took the oath by law requiered

EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clark*

Tisbury May 27th 1799

Tisbury ss pursuant to aprecept from the Sacy of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for Calling a Town meeting for the Choice of Representitive in the first Southern district for the Congress of the united States of amarica agreeable thereto inhabatants of S^{d} Tisbury were assembled on the 29th day of august agreeable to S^{d} precipt and Votes given in Counted and Sorted and declaration made therof in open meeting and there were 12 Votes for Lemuel Williams Esqr for Rep^{e} for Congress

Entered August 29th 1799 EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clark*

I Hereby Certify that Abijah Hammett Constable of the Town of Tisbury for the year 1791 in the month of may 1791 made returns into the Town Clarks office that he had by vitue of a warrant to him diricted by the Selectmen of Tisbury dated the 19th of may 1791 that he had proceeded agreeable to his warrant and had notified and warned Elijah Daggett with his wife and two Children forthwith to depard the limitts of S^{d} Town of Tisbury

Entered on record this 9th day of December AD 1799

EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clar*

Tisbury ss at a meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on Monday the Seventh day of april A D 1800 for the purpose of giving in Votes for govenor Leeutenant govenor and Senetor for the Commonwealth of Massachusets and at Said meeting the inhabatants gave in there Votes and being Sorted and Counted and declaration made in open meeting there appeared Votes for the following persons Viz for govenor Calab Strong Esqr had 39 Votes and Elbridge Gerrey had 8 Votes for govenor Moses gill Esqr had 45 Votes for Lieutenant govenor Benjn Allen had 41 Votes for Senetor mathew Mayhew J^{r} had 3 Votes for Senetor & Wm Athearn 1

Entered April 7th 1800 by Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting duly warnd and held at the Court house in Tisbury on Monday the Seventh day of april A D 1800 for the purposes following Viz to Choose all Such Town officers as are by law requiered to be Chosen annuely in in the months of march or april and being assembeled the following persons ware Chosen into office viz James Athearn Modorater Ezekiel Luce Town Clark Thomas Jones Nathan Smith Abraham Chase Selectmen Timothy Lumbart John Davis Peter west over sears of the poor, Jethro Athearn Town Treasuerer Abisha Luce Constable Thomas Dunham was Sworn Joseph Chase William Case Surveyors of high ways Joseph Claghorn Edmund Cottle Survayors of Lumber Ezekiel Luce John Davis Abraham Chase fence Vewer William Case Timothy Chase Tything men Abijah Hammett Elijah Luce Joseph Chase hogreeves Silus Daggs peter west Collector of Taxes in the East precinct in Tisbury Ezekiel Luce John Davis Peter Norton a Committe to provide a Sutable Spot to build a pound and See to building the Same on the Towns Expence Jonathan Manter peter Norton Ebenezer Jones field drivers, Ezekiel Luce John Davis to Audite Town accounts and at Said meeting agreeable to the notification for Calling the Same the Sum of one hundred dollars was Voted to be assessed on the polls and Estates of the Town of Tisbury to defray the necessary Charges of the town the Currant year then the meeting was adjourned to Monday the 21st of this instant at 2 o Clock P m to meet again at the court hous in Tisbury

Attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clark*

Tisbury ss Mett at the Court house agreeable to adjournment and Abijah Hammett Appeared and was Exepted by the Vote of the Town to Serve as Constable in S^{d} Town the insewing year and was Sworn to

his office by Ezek^{l} T Clark in the room and Steed of Abisha Luce who was Chosen at the former meeting prior to adjourn^{t} and at Said meeting Timothy Chase John gray Willm Case was Chosen overseers of the poor the insewing year those persons who were chosen at the former meeting refusing to Serve and at Said meeting Willm Case was Chosen Selectman Thomas Jones refusing to Serve and at Said meeting it was Voted to alow Jonathan Look ten dollars more then the Sum he agreed for for boarding John Rogers the last year Said Look was to have four Shillings (p^{r} week and Said Look to have what Cloaths Said Rogers left when he died and then Said meeting was adjourned to the Second Tuesday of May next or the 13th to meet again at the Court house in Tisbury at 4 O Clock P M

attst Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

the inhabatants of Tisbury assembeled at the Court house on the thirteenth day of may agreeable to the Adjournment and at Said meeting Ezekiel Luce John Davis was chosen Selectmen and Sworn Thomas Jones Nathan Smith Willm Case refusing to Serve and at Said meeting Willm Luce was Chosen pound keeper and at Said meeting the Sum of two hundred and fifty dollars was Voted to be assessed on the polls and estates of the inhabatants of S^{d} Tisbury for the use of a town school and it was further Voted the the School destricts remain as last divided & Timothy Lumbart Elijah Look a School Committe for the first School distrect in S^{d} Town John Davis Francis Norton School Comitte for the Second district & Edmund Cottle peter Norton Committe for the third distrect Samuel Look Abraham Chase School Committe for the fourth School distrect and Said Committes above mentioned to divide the money Voted for a School to each distrects proportion of the money desigened for the School in S^{d} Town

Entered this 13th of may A D 1800 Ezekiel Luce *Town Clar*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on tuesday the 23rd day of Sep^{tr} A D 1800 agreeable to a notification for calling the same in order to act Something with regard to the more easy and cheap way for the Support of Samuel Lewis and famely who is on the charge of Said town and at Said meeting Benjamin Allen was Chosen moderator of said meeting and at said meeting the Sum of Sixty dollars was Voted to be given to Stephen Luce Ju^{r} & Samuel Luce grand Sons to the sd samuel Lewis to assist them in Sup-

porting the Said Samuel Lewis and famely for one year and if ither or all the Said Lewises famely Should not live the year through the Said Stephen and Samual to have the Same proportion of Sixty dollars according to the time they may live and at Said meeting James Athearn Ezekiel Luce & John Davis was chosen a Committe to take Security of the above said Stephen and Samuel Luce to endemnify the town against any further change through the year

EZEKIEL LUCE *T. Clerk*

Entered on record this 23rd day of Sep.tr A D 1800

At a meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on Monday the Sixth day of april 1801 for the purpose of giving in there Votes for for County Treasuerer and County Regester the Votes being given in and Counted there were Votes for the following persons Viz for Jethro Athearn for County Tresuerer 45 Votes for County Regester Samuel Smith had 45 Votes

Attest EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clark*

At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at Tisbury on Monday the 6th day of April A D 1801 agreable to the Constituti of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to givein their Vots for govenor Leuitentant govenour and Senetor of Said Commonwealth and at Said meeting the Votes being given in and Sorted agreeable as the Law diricts there ware Votes for the following persons Viz

for govenour Calab Strong had 29 Votes
Elbridg gerry had 15 ''
for Leiut. gov.r Samuel Philips had 22 Vots
Will.m Heath had 20
Edward H Robinson 1

for Senetors	Benja Allen had	30 Votes	Tisbury
	Beza Howard had	31 — —	
	Kilbourn Whittman	23 — —	Barnstable
	Nathaniel Goodwin	7	
	Isaac Coffin	15	
	Micajah Coffin	1	Nantucket
	Isaac Tomson		

Entred thiss Sixth day of April being the first monday in Said month Anno Domino 1801

by EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clark*

At a Leagal meeting duly warned and held at Tisbury on Monday the Sixth day of apriel A D 1801 for the purposes here after named Viz first to Choose all Town officers as are requiered by law to be annuely Chosen in Towns in the months of march or apriel and at Said meeting the following persons were Chosen into there respective offices to Serve the town the Currant year Viz James Athearn Esqr Modarator of said anul Meeting Ezekiel Luce Clark of the town the Currant year

Selectmen] Ezekiel Luce John Davis Joseph Claghorn oversers of the poor] William Case Peter Norton Joseph Claghorn Town Tresuerer] Peter Norton Constable] Timothy Luce

Collector in the east precinct in the Town of Tisbury Jonathan Mantor surveyors of highways Enoch Luce Samuel Look Joseph Chace

Surveyor of Lumber Edmund Cottle Joseph Claghorn fence Vewers] John Hencock John Davis pound keeper William Luce

Hogreavs John Hencock William Luce Abraham Chace

the above officers Sworn to there offices Excpt the Constable and Colector

William Athearn & Cornelius Dunham Choosen a Committe to Settle with the former Town Treasuerer and to transfer the book and accounts to peter Norton the last Treasuerer Choosen in Said Town ----- and at Said meeting Benjamin Allen & Ezekiel Luce was Choosen agants in Said town the Currant year to appear in all Causes in behalf of the town of Tisbury to sue for and demand for Said town, and to employ any attorny at law for the benefitt of said town that may be thought best by Said agants to carry any matter or Sute into effect on the Cost of Said town and at said meeting it was Voted to Choose a Committe to devide the town into districts for school keeping and the following persons ware chosen as a Committe for the aforsaid purpose Viz Elijah Look Benjamin Allen Noah Walrond Joseph Athearn Peter Norton Nathan Smith Samuel Look Timothy Chace John Hencock John Gray John Homes

and also at Said meeting agreeable to the notification for calling the Same the Sum of two hundred and fifty dollars was voted to be assessed on the polls and estates of of the Town of Tisbury for the nessesary Charges of the Town Currant year and also at said meeting the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars was voted to be assessed on the polls and estates of said the town for the Support of a town School the Currant year, and Said meeting was adjourned to meet again at the Court house in Said town on monday the 20th day of Said month at two O Clock in the afternoon

Attst Ezek^{L} Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss then the inhabatants of Said Town assembled according to adjournment and Elijah Luce Excpted to Serve Constable in the Town the Currant year in Stead of Timothy Luce who was Chosen at the former meeting and was sworn to act and at Said meeting Cornelius Dunham Willm Athearn Chosen a Committee to Examin and pay town accounts and then Said meeting was adjourned to the Sixteenth day of June next to meet again at the Court house in Said Town at four O Clock in the afternoon

Entred April 20th 1801

Attest Ezekiel Luce *T Clark*

Tisbury ss At leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Said town on wedenesday the fourth day of Novr A D 1801 for the following purposes Viz first to See whether the Vote might be passed that the town Should remain as districted last for School keeping and the question being taken it passed in the affermetive Second to See wheather the Voter would Vote to have the money devided to each district as it was last divided and it passed in the affirmative and at Said meeting the following persons ware Chosen in each distrect to provide for and Superintend the Schools in the Several School districts in S^d town Viz in the First Jethro Athearn Joseph Allen in the Second John Davis Solomon Athearn in the third Edmund Cottle Nathan Smith in the fourth at homes hole Samuel Look Thos Dunham

Entred Novr 7th 1801 Ezekiel Luce *T Cleark*

March 22nd day 1802 I the Subscriber having this day bought of Samuel Crowell his dwelling house that is the west end of the house and all the lands on which the whole house Stands and as his Son Berzilla Crowell owneth the east end of the house and is his estate I hereby grant him leave to live in the Same east end as long as he Shall See fit So to do with the liberty to pass to and from Said house: and furthermore when he the Berzilla Crowell Shall See fit to Sell the house or go and leave it then I promis to give him for the Said house what it Shall be prised to be worth wittness my hand

pr me John Davis

Test Shubael Cottle

Entered on the Town of Tisburys record this 16th of Novr A D 1803

Ezekiel Luce *T. Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on thirsday the 25th day of March 1802 and So by adjournment to the 5th day of april for the purposes following Viz to Choose all such town Officers as are required by law to be annually Chosen in towns in the months of march or april and the inhabatants being assmbled in the first place James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Modorator and then the following officers was chosen in Sd town to Serve the currant year Viz

Ezekiel Luce Clark

Joseph Athearn }
John Hancock } Select men
Joseph Claghorn }

Peter Norton Tresuerer
Francis Norton Constable
Lot Luce Constable in
the east precinct
Nathan Smith Jethro Athearn
Overseers of the poor
Edmund Cottle Joseph Claghorn
Survayors of lumber

Benjn allen John Davis
Samll Look fence Vewers
hogreaves William Athearn
John Hancock Clifford Dunham
Samuel Lumbart
Willm Luce pound keeper
Joseph Look Chosen Constable
refused to Serve
Ezekiel Luce John Davis
a Committe on accts and other
matter respecting the Town

The above officers was Sworn to there respective offices And also at the aforsaid meeting agreeable to the notification for calling the same the Sum of two hundred and fifty dollars was Voted to defray the Nessary charges of the town the Currant year and then Said meeting was adjournd to the 19th instant to meet again at the Court hous in Said town at four o Clock P m

Enoch Luce }
Peter Norton } Survayors of
Elisha Luce } highways

Attst Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on monday the fifth of april being the first Monday in Sd month 1802 for the purposes of giving in Votes for governor Leiutenant govr and Senetor and County Treasuerer agreeable to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and the Votes being given in Counted and Sorted and decclaration made thereon in open meeting there ware Votes for the following persons Viz

for govrnor Calab Strong Esqr had 39
Elbridge gerry had 3
Lieutenant gv^{o} Edward H Robens had 43
Senetor Benj^{a}. Allen had 43
Jethro Athearn had 43 for County treasuerer
att Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss then on the 19th day of april A D 1802 the inhabat. of S^{d}. town assembled at the Court house according to adjournment and Doc^{r}. Rufus Spalding appered and was Exepted by Vote of the Town to Serve as Constable in the East precinct in Said town the currant year in the room and Steed of Lot Luce who was chosen to that office at a meeting held in Said Town on the 25 of april 1802 and also Lot Look appered and axepted the office of Constable in S^{d} town and was axepted by Vote of the town to Serve in S^{d} office the currunt year in the room and Stead of Francis Norton who was Chosen to that office at the meeting held as above and also at Said meeting Joseph Look was discharged by Vote of the town from serving in the office of Constable in Said town the Currant year

Entered april 20th 1802 Ezekiel Luce *Clerk*

N.B. the above Constabls was Sworn to there office at S^{d} meeting

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Said town on monday the first day of Novr 1802 for the purpose of choosing representitive for Congress of the united States of america agreeable to an act of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of Representive for Barnstable district for Representitive for Congress and at Said Meeting the Vote being given Counted and Sorted and declaration made thereon there were 12 Votes for Lemuel Willm Esqr
attst Ezekiel Luce *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting of the inhabatants of the town of Tisbury duly warned and held at the Court house in S^{d}. Town on monday the 4 day of apriel being the first monday in S^{d} month 1803 for the purpose of giving in there Vots for governor Lieutenant govenor and Senetor agreeable to the constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for calling the Same and the inhabatants of Said town being assembled agreeabled to the notification for calling the Same and the Vots being given in Sorted and counted and declaration thereon made and recorded

by the clerk of Said town as the constitution directs there were Votes for the following persons Viz

for governor	for Lieut. govenor
Caleb Strong Esqr	Edward H Robins Esqr
had 65 Votes	had 63 Votes

for Senetor
Benjamin Allen had 51 Votes of Tisbury
Isaac Coffin of Nantucket had 16 Votes
attst Ezek^{L}. Luce *Clerk*

and also at Said meeting Votes were given in Sorted and counted by the modorator and Clerk agreeable to the constitution for calling the Same and there were Votes for Jethro Athearn for County Treasuerer the Sum of 67 Votes

Entred this 4th day of april A D 1803 by Ezekiel Luce *T. Clerk*

Tisbuary ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury on Monday the fourth day of apriel A D 1803 for the purpose of choosing all Such town officers as the law directs to be chosen annuely in the month of march or april and firstly James Athearn Esqr was chosen modorator of Said meeting then there was a Vote taken whether the officers Should be chosen by Voting by lifting up the hand and the Vote passed in the affirmitive then the following officers were chosen into there respective offices to Serve the currant year as followeth Viz Ezekiel Luce Town Clerk Ezekiel Luce William Athearn Rufus Spalding Select men Abijah Gray Constable and collector in the first precinct in Tisbury and William Daggett Ju^{r} Constable and collector of taxes in the Second or Eastrly precinct in Said Town Peter Norton Town Treasuerer Isaac Daggett Enoch Luce Joseph chase Survyors of highways Thomas Dunham Elisha Luce John Case Jabez Luce hogreaves

John Hencock Thomas Luce Samuel Look Elijah Look fence Vewers

Uireal Hillmon Edmund Cottle Surveyors of lumber

William Luce pound keeper

Joseph Claghorn William Downs inspectors of wood

Benjamin Allen agent for the town of Tisbury to appere in any cause for the benefit of the town and to act any buiseness that may be thought necessary for the towns necessary for a towns agent to act agreeable to Law the Selectmen with the adition of Benjamin Allen were chosen to

consult and draw a remonstrance to a petition Sent by a number of the inhabatants of Tisbury Chillmark & Edgartown praying to be incorprated into a religious baptiss Society and allso the Sum of three hundred dollars was Voted at Said meeting to be assessed on the polls and Estats of Said town for the Support of a town School and likewise Benjamin Allen & abraham Chase were chosen a Committe to Settle the accounts with the town of Tisburys Treasuerer and to report at the adjornment and Said meeting was adjourned to the Second Tuesday of may next or the tenth day of Said month at three o Clock in the afternoon to meet again at the Courthouse in S^{d} town Entred on record the 4th day of april A D 1803

by Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

This may Certify that on the 7th day of may A D 1803 the Selectmen of Tisbury licanced Thomas Dunham of Said Town to Sell goods at auction and public outcry for one year Attst Ezekiel Luce *T Clerk and Selectman*

Tisbury ss on the tenth day of May according to adjournment the inhabatants assembled at the Court house and the Sum of 200 dollars was Voted for the necessary charges of the Town the currant year to be taxed on the polles and estats of the inhabatants of Said Town and also at Said meeting there were the following persons chosen Committes in the Several School districts for Schools in S^{d} Town to divide the Sum of 300 dollars to each School district in S^{d} town Viz William Athearn Nathan Smith John gray Joseph Claghorn and also in each district there were Ezekiel Luce John Davis Edmund Cottle Rufus Spalding Chosen a Committe with the other Committe to Superintend the Schools in each district for Schools and also Abijah gray appeared at Said meeting and presented Jethro Athearn as Constable to Serve in his room the Currant year and Said Jethro Athearn appreared accepted the office of Constable in S^{d} Town and was Sworn to his office and was Exepted by Vote of the town

Entered this 10th day of may A D 1803

Ezekiel Luce *T. Clerk*

At ameeting duly warned and held at the Courthouse in Tisbury on Tuesday the 10th day of may 1803 for the choice of Representitive for the general Court to be Convened and held at Boston on the last wedens-

day of May and at Said meeting the inhabatants gave in there Votes for Representitive agreeable to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Votes being Sorted and counted by the Selectmen and Cleark thereof appeared Votes for the following persons Viz for Benjamin Allen 34 Votes for David Look 9 Votes

Attest Ezekiel Luce *T. Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a meeting leagally warned and heald at Holmes hole the Iaston parish on Sept 20th A D 1803 by Virtue of Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be holden at Barnstable on the Fourth Tuesday of Sept next

The following Persons were drawn Viz

Jeruel West from the grand & travis Box

James Weeks from the Travis Jurors Box

to Serve at Said Court

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting leagaly warned and held at the Court-house in Tisbury on monday the 2nd day of apr being the first monday of Said month for the purpose of giving in Votes for governor Lieut-governor and Senetor agreeable to the Constitution of the Common-wealth of Massachesetts the inhabitants being assembeled gave in there Votes and the Same being counted and Sorted and declaration made thereon there appered to be Votes for the following persons Viz

for governor Caleb Strong had 45 Votes

James Sullevin had 62

for Leut governour William Heath had 70

for Edward H Robins had 37

for Senetor Isaac Coffin had 67

Josiah Barker had 38

Entred this 2nd day of aprel 1804 Ezekiel Luce *T Clerk*

and at Said meeting agreeable to notification for calling the Same there were Votes given in for County Treasuerer and the Same being Sorted and Counted there were Votes for the following persons Viz for Jethro Athearn had 60 Votes Thomas Jarnagan had 43 Votes

Entered the 2nd day of april 1804 Ezekiel Luce *Town Clr*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting duly warned and held at the Court-house in Said Town on monday the 16 day of aprel A D 1804 for the

purposes of choosing all Such Town officrs as are requiered by law to be chosen annualy in the months of march or april and also to raise any Sum or Sums of money for the necessary uses of the Town the Currant year and to choose any Committe or Committs for the benifit of the town and the inhabitants of S^{d} Town being assembeled Silus Daggett was chosen Modorator of Said meeting and then it was put to Vote to See what mode the following officers Should be chosen and it was Voted to choos them by lifting up the hand and then the following officrs ware chosen into office to Serve in the Town the currant year and first Ezekiel Luce was chosen Town Clerk and Sworn to his office then Ezekiel Luce Peter Norton and Thomas Dunham were Chosen Selectmen and assessors and Sworn to there offices then William Athearn was Chosen the Town Treasurer John Hencock Chosen Constable to give his answer at the adjournment of Said meeting Shobael Dunham chosen Collector of taxes in the east precinct in Tisbury and was Sworn to his office then Abraham Chase John Manchester Malachi Luce Joseph Look Elijah Look & Thomas Jones were chosen Vewers of fences in Said Town then Benjamin Allen Enoch Luce William Luce chosen Surveyors of highway and Towns ways and Sworn Urial Hillman Edmund Cottle Joseph Claghorn Surveyors of Lumber then Benjamin Allen Thomas Dunham Mathew Mantor Silus Daggett were chosen hogreaves Sworn then William Downs and Joseph Athearn chosen Measurers of coard wood William Luce pound keeper Abijah Luce Benjamin Allen Lot Luce Elisha Luce Jesse Luce chosen a helth committe in S^{d} Town were Sworn to the faithfull discharg of there Trust then Benjamin allen Shobael Dunham John Hencock was chosen a Committe to Settle accounts with peter Norton the presant Town treasurer and Examin and call in all demands against Said Town and transfer the books to william Athearn the presant Tresurer of Said town and report there doing, at the adjournment of Said meeting also at Said Meeting it was Voted that the Town meetings be held for the future begining at the time of the annual meeting in the year 1805 and So continuing through that year at Homeshole and at Tisbury the next year in the Same manner annuly by rotation for the future also the Selectmen were appointed a Committe to Sort the persons names returned for Juriors and lay them before the meeting at the adjournment then Said meeting was adjourned to the last monday in april or the 30th day of S^{d} month to meet again at the Courthouse in S^{d} Town at 2 o Clock P M

Attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

April 30th met again at the Courthouse according to adjourn=ment then John Hencock appeared and exepted the office of Constable forSaid Town the currant year and was Sworn to that Office; then Jeremiah Crapo Elisha Luce Joseph Look William Athearn were chosen Tything men in Sd. Town the curant year; then was Voted the Sum of three hundred dollars for the necessary charges of the Town the currant year; & three hundred dollars for a public School in Said town to be laid on the pols and estats of the inhabatants of Tisbury Then John Hencock Ezekiel Luce Noah Waldrond ware Chosen a Comitte in the first School district to devid the distrect for Schools and to provide Masters to teach Said Schools and Ezekiel Luce Noah Walrond to assist the committe in the other School distrects to devide the money in each distrect raised in Town for public Schools, and also John gray Varnal Clifford Jonathan Atheaw was chosen a School Committe in the Second or Northwest distrect and John gray to assist in deviding the Money raised for Said Schools, and also Capt Edmund Cottle Malichi Luce were chosen School Committe in the third or north shore distrect and Capt Cottle to assist the other Committes in dviding the money raised for Schools and also Rufus Spalding Thomas Dunham chosen a School Committ in the eastern or distrect of Homeshole and Rufus Spalding a Committe to Joine with Ezekiel Luce John gray Noah Walrond Capt Edmund Cottle to dvide the money to each distrect that was raised in Said Town for a public School

Entred on record this 30th day of april A D 1804

Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Pursuant to a law of this Commonwealth for the choice of representitive the freeholders and other inhabitants qualified by the constitution to Vote for the election of Representitive being duly notified and warned according to law did meet and assemble on the 14th day of this instant month and did then and there elect William Worth to represent them at the general Court of this Commonwealth to be conveaned and held at Boston on the last Wedensday of may currant

Entered on record this 14th day of may A D 1804

by Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

Tisbuary ss at a town Meeting Leagaly warned and held at the Court house in Tisbury in the County of Dukes County dukes County May twenty first 1804 it was then and there Voted and agreed that the following Instrutions be given to Wm Worth Representitive for Said Tis-

bury the insewing year That wheras a petition is pending by John Davis and others and Mathew Smith and others in the general Court of this Commonwealth for an incorporation at homes hole in Said Town for a baptis Society theefore we advice direct and charge you the Said Representitive in your Official capasity as a member of that Honorable body that you aid and assist to have the Said incorporation and estabelished enacted into a law of this Commonwealth and all other buisness we leav you to act your wisdom and discression

Enterd on the Town record this 21st day of May A D 1804

EZEKIEL *Town Clerk*

and also at Said meeting it was Voted that Shubael Dunham Should call on the Clerk of the town for the Copeys of the paper relative to the above meeting

Attst EZEKIEL LUCE *T. Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting duly warned and held at Court house in Said town on thursday the 27th day June A D 1804 agreeable to an notification for calling the Same and the inhabitants being assembled James Athearn Esqr was Chosen moderator of Said meeting and it was moved & Secont and Voted that no neat Cattle Should be permitted to run on the Commons in Said Town the Currant year

Entered on record this 27th day of June A D 1804

EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clerk*

At A leagal Town meeting duly warned and held at Tisbury on monday the fifth day of November Anno D 1804 agraeable to a resolve of the general Court of the Common wealth of Massachusetts pasd June 15th 1804 for the choice of Nineteen Elector of Presidand and vice presidand of the united States and the inhabitants of Said Town being assembled did give the votes to the Selectmen and the votes being given Sorted and coundt and declaration made thereof in open meeting there appered Votes for the following persons Viz at large Hon David Cobb of goldsburough Hon Oliver Wendall of Boston

Suffolk Distrect Hon John C Jones of Boston

Essex South distrect Hon Benjn goodhue of Salem

Essexnorth distrect Hon Baly Bartlett of haverhill

Middelsex distrect Hon Ebenezer Brooks of Lincoln

Hanshire South distrect gen Willm Shepard of Westfield

Hamshire north distrect gen Ebenezer Mallony Jr of amherst
Plymouth district Hon Willm Sever of Kingston
Barntable Distrect Ebenezer Bacon Esqr of Barntable
Bristol distrect Hon george Leonard of Norton
Worcester South distrect Joseph Allen Esq of Worcester
Worcester north distrect Hon Joseph Stearns of Lunenbourg
Berkshire Distrect Hon David Bossetor of Richmond
Norfold distrect Hon Callon Tufts of Weymouth
York distrect Hon John Lord of Berwick
Cumberland distrect Hon Isaac Parker of Portland
Lincoln distrect Hon Thomas Rice of Wiscassett
Kenebeck distrect Samuel Wilde Esqr of Hollawell
18 Votes for the abo
Electors
at Large Hon James Sulivan of Boston Hon Elbridge gerry of Cambridge
Hon James Bowdin of Boston South Esser Col John Katherne of Salem north Essex
Dr Thomas Kiteredge of andover Midelsex
Hon James Wintrop of Cambridge South hampshire
Jon^{a}. Smith Jn^{r} Esqr. of West Springfield Northhampshire Edward Upham Esqr. of new Salem
Plymouth Hon James Warren of Plymouth
Bristol Hon Josiah Deane of Raynham Barnstable Hon John Davis of Barnstable South wocester gen Timothy Newell of Sturbridge
North Worcester gen John Whiting of Lancaster
Berkshire Hon John Bacon of Stockbridge
Norfolk Hon Willm Heath of Roxbury
york Hon John Wordman of Buxton
Cumberland Hon Charles Turner of Truro
Kenebeck Hencock and Washenton Corl Thomas Filleborm of Hollowell Lincolon John Farly of New Castle
Entered on Reccord this 5th day of November A D 1804 thirty one Votes for the above EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clerk*

At a Leagal meeting duly warned and held at Tisbury on the first day of april A D 1805 for the purpose of the choice of all Such Town officcers that by Law are required to be Chosen annualy in the months of March or april and for raising Such Sums of Money as Shall be

thought neccessary for defraying the Towns Expences the Currant year and the freeholders and inhabitants of Said town qualified to Vote in Town affairs being assembled did then and theire pass the following Votes first William Worth was Chosen moderator of Said meeting then the following persons were chosen into office to Serve the Town the currant year Viz Ezekiel Luce Town Clerk and was Sworn to his Said office it was Voted to Vote by lifting up of the hand then the following persons ware Chosen at Said meeting to Serve in there respective offices the currant year Viz Ezekiel Luce Thomas Dunham Peter Norton Selectmen William athearn Treasurer Jethro Athearn Constable and Sworn in the place and Stead of Benj^{a} Athearn who was Chosen to that office Jethro Hillman chosen Constable and collector in the east precinct in Said Town William Luce Shubael Dunham Enoch Luce Surveyors of high ways in Said Town and Sworn to there offices Edmund Cottle Uriel Hillman Joseph Claghorn Benj^{a} Chase Surveyors of Lumber S^{d} Cottle and Hillman Sworn to the ofice Lot Luce Timothy Lumbart Joseph Chase fence Vewers Samuel Look Willm athearn Tything men Rufus Spalding William Daggett William Worth Joseph Chase Samuel Hencock Hogreaves Willm Luce pound keeper And also at Said mecting the Sum of three Hundred dollars was Voted to be assessd on the poles and estates of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury to defray the necessary Expences in S^{d} Town the currant year then the meeting adjourned to the 15th day of april 1805 to meet again at the meeting house at Homeshole

Entered on record this first day of april A D 1805

Ezekiel Luce *T Clerk*

Met again according to adjournment and adjourned the meeting to the first Tuesday of May next at One O' Clock P. m at the meeting house at Holmeshole Entred April 15 1805

Ezekiel Luce *T Clerk*

Silus Daggett moderator of Sd meeting

At a Leagal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified by the constitution to Vote for representitives holden at Tisbury on the first day of april A D 1805 the Said inhabitants gave in there Vots for County Treasurer and the Same being counted and Sorted in the meeting by the modorator thereof and town Clerk it appeared that there were for Jethro athearn 63 Votes for Thomas Jarnigan 62 Vots

Entered this first day of april A D 1805

Ezekiel Luce *T Cla*

on the fifteenth day of apriel 1805 the Selectmen of Tisbury did anominate and appoint William Case of Said Town a Sealer of waits and Measurs in Said Town the currant year and he was duly notified thereof and appeared and was Sworn to the faithfull discharge of his office according to law before me EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 7th 1805 at a leagal meeting of the male inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly warned and held in Said Town agreeable to the constitution for the choice of Representative to the general Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts the inhabitants being assembled. did there give in there Vots for Representitive for Said Town to Represent them at Said court and the Vots being given in Sorted and counted there was Vots for the following persons Viz for Shubael Dunham 51 Vots for Wm Worth 18 Vots for Edmund Cottle 9 Vots for Benjn Allen 2 Vots for Representitive

Attst EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clerk*

May 7 1805 met according to adjournment and the meeting was dissolved

Elisha Luce chosen Surveyor of cord wood

EZEKIEL LUCE *T Clerk*

on the first day of august 1805 we the Subscribers did premitt John Hencock of the Town of Tisbury to Sell goods in Said Town the present year

Entered august 3rd 1805

EZEKIEL LUCE } *Selectmen for*
PETER NORTON } *Tisbery*

Public Records of the Town of Tisbury

Tisbury ss Att a meeting legally warned and held on the first monday in Apriel according to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of Governor, Liutenant Governor & Senator The Inhabitants being assembled gave in their Votes which being sorted & Counted and declaration thereon made there appeared to votes for the following persons Viz

James Sullivan	86	for Governor
Caleb Strong	61	
E. H. Robbins	1	

William Heath	80	for Liutenant Governor
E. H. Robbins	55	
Caleb Strong	1	
Thomas Jernigan	1	
Samuel Smith	1	
Benjamin Allen	62	for Senator
Isaac Coffin	77	
Jethro Athearn	2	
William Worth	1	

Entered on Record this 7th Apriel in the year of our Lord 1806

℘ William Athearn

Town Clerk

Att a Meeting Legally warned and held according to the constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of County Treasurer and the Votes being givin in, Sorted & counted appeared for the following persons

Vizt

Thomas Jernigan	64
Jethro Athearn	68

enterd on record this 7th day Apriel in the year of our Lord 1806

William Athearn

Town Clerk

Tisbury ss at a Meeting Legally warned and held at the Court House in Sd. Tisbury on Monday the seventh day of Apriel in the year of our Lord 1806. For the Purpose of chuseing all Such Town officers as are required by law to be chosen in the Month of March or Apriel Annually,

2d. To Vote some sum or sums of money to defray the neesssary expences of the Town for the Ensweing year

3d. To see if the Town will agree on some more and less expensive way to support the poor of said Town, as to act what may be thought proper Thereon

4th To choose any committe or committes which my be thought best for the benefitt of the Town, and the Inhabitants being assembled James Athearn Esqr was Chosen Moderator, the mode of voting was the agreed to be by holding up the hand, and then the following officers were chosen Vizt

William Athearn Clerk & Duly Sworn

Thomas Dunham }
Peter Norton } Select men
Ezekeil Luce }
William Athearn Town Treasurer
Joseph Look Constable
John Manchester Collector for Homeshole district.
Shubael Dunham }
Peter West } a committe to settle with the Town Treasurer
Benjamin Allen }

The Question of Adjournment was then put carried and the present meeting stands adjourned to the last Monday in the present month, at the court House at 2 o,clock

attest W^M^ ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss. At a meeting legally warned an held at the Court House in Tisbury, according to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of County Register, on Monday the Seventh day of Apriel in the year of our Lord 1806 and the Inhabitants being assembled and the votes given in sorted and counted as the law directs, and declaration made thereon, there apeared as follows, Viz^t^

for Samuel Smith 115,

Entered on the Record this seventh day of Apriel in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and Six,

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss. at a meeting held by adjournment on this Twenty eighth day of Apriel A.D. 1806 from the annual Meeting held on Monday the seventh day of the present Instant — when the meeting did proceed to the further choice of such Town officers and such other Town buisness as was not done at the Meeting, as followeth Viz^t^ Willard Luce was accepted to serve as constable in the room and stead of Joseph Look —

John Manchester gave his acceptance as collector for the Homeshole District in s^d^ Tisbury —

Matthew Smith } – – – – – – sworn
Jonathan Mantor } – – – – – – sworn
Matthew Mantor } Surveyors of Heghways. sworn
William Luce } – – – – – –

William Harding	– – –	sworn
Uriel Hillman	surveyors Lumber	sworn & certifycate from
Benj[a] Chase		Rufus Spalding Esquire
Jesse Luce		sworn
Mathew Smith		sworn
Jesse Luce	Fence Viewers	sworn
John Hancock		
William Case		sworn

a Vote was then put whether William Worth Should serve the Town of Tisbury for the present year as a Hogg Reeve and it passed in the Negative

Benjamin Chase, Joseph Chace, Whetten Manter were put to Vote and accepted as Hoggreeves for the present year

William Luce was chosen pound keeper —

Jeremiah Crapo } Tything men
Jonathan Merry }

It was then put to vote what sum of money should be raised for the Towns use the present year, and the sum of Four Hundred Dollars was put and the vote passed in the afirmative,

A vote passed to allow the present Treasuer of the Town his bill of expences as allowed by the Select men, for his purchaceing a set of weights and Measures in Boston in June 1805

a vote was then put to disolve the present Meeting and it passed in the affirmative

Entered on the public Records this Twenty eighth day Apriel 1806

William Athearn
Town Clerk

By this publick Record be it known that by order of the select men of Tisbury William Downs was appointed and sworn as Sealer of Weights & Measures for said Town the present year, and was sworn

enter'd on Record this Twenty eight day Apriel in the year of our Lord 1806

William Athearn *Town Clerk*

By this public Record be it known and remembered that by order of the Select men of Tisbury Jesse Luce and Belcher Athearn were appointed Surveyors of Bark for s[d] Town for the present year,

entered on record this 28th Apriel in the year 1806 William Athearn

Town Clerk

be it known that Joseph Chace, and Whittin Manter duly & legally attended and were sworn to their respective offices as Heretofore entered Apriel 28th 1806

WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. By this publick Record be it known that at a meeting Legally warn'd and held at the Court House in Tisbury according to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of some person to Represent said Town in the General court to be conveened and holden in Boston on the last Wednesday in May in year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred & six a vote was called whether the Town would send a Representative or not and the Vote passed in the affirmative then the votes being given in, sorted, and counted there appeared for the following persons Vizt.

For Shubael Dunham	57
For Abner Luce	10
For Martin Luce	1
For Edmond Cottle	1

Mr. Shubael Dunham was accordingly declared duly and legally chosen, entered on the publick record this 9th day of May, on which day the meeting was held,

WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at A Meeting legaly warned and held at the court House in Tisbury on the Tenth day of october in the year of our lord eighteen Hundred & six for the following purposes Vizt.

1st. To Receive a list of persons quallifyed to serve as Jurymen, & to Regulate the Jurers boxes, as the Law directs

2d. To choose an agent for sd town to appear at the Court of Commonpleas next to be Holden at Tisbury in and for the County of Dukes County on the last Tuesday of October next, to answer to a suit commenced against Sd Town by Docr Rufus Spalding or act what may be thought best on that matter

The Town being conveened according to Notifycation did then act as followeth Mr. John Davis Moderator Vizt a list of Jurers being presented by the Selectmen, a committe was then chosen consisting of Mr Ezekiel Luce, Peter Norton & Wm Athearn to divide the whole number into three parts, and casting away on part, then the other two thirds was distributed as the Law directs, and brot into meeting and accepted by the town,

The Town then proceeded to choose an agent when Mr John Hancock was legally Chosen, it was then propos^d^ to choose a committe to give Instructions to the agent in what manner to act in regard to s^d^ Suit and it passed in the affirmative, and, the Select Men of the Town were nominated and Chosen, Cap. Edmond Cottle was nominated and Chosen to be added to them The meeting Did then and there disolve by general consent

Entered on the Records of Tisbury this Tenth day of october in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred & six

℘ William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss At a meeting Legally warned and held at the Court House in Tisbury on monday the third day November in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & six, it being the Constitutional day for the choice of a Representative in Congress for the first southern district, the voters being present, the meeting duly organised and the votes being given in sorted and counted, and declaration thereon being made, Their appeared for

The Honourable Isaiah Lewis Green 11 Votes

W. Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Meeting Legally warned and held at the Meeting House in Homeshole in S^d^ Tisbury on Tuesday the Twenty fourth= fourth day of March 1807. for the purpose of chooseing all such Town officers as are required by law to be chosen in the momth of March or Apriel annually —

2^d^ to vote such sum or sums of money as shall be thought sufficient for the use of s^d^ Town for the present year and the Inhabitants being assembled according to notifycation Mr. Ezekiel Luce was chosen Moderator the mode of choosing was agreed to be by holding up the hand and then the following officers were chosen and buissness Transacted Viz^t^ William Athearn Town Clerk (& sworn

Ezekiel Luce
Thomas Dunham } Select Men (sworn)
John Davis
Ezekiel Luce Town Treasurer
Ebinezer Jones Constable

Matthew Luce collector for Homeshole district Refused to serve
Jonathan Luce collector in stead Matthew Luce

Joseph Athearn John Hancock Malachi Luce	Overseers of poor
Jonathan Athearn Joseph Chase Sam.l Look	Surveyers High ways
Josep Look John Hancock Joseph Chase	Fence Viewers
Matthew Manter William Luce James Foster	Hogg Reeves
William Luce	Pound Keeper
Benjamin Chace Royal Hilman William Harding Jirah Luce Edmond Cottle Obed Coffin	Surveyors of Lumber
Benjamin Chace William Downs Belcher Athearn William Davis	Surveyors of wood & bark ℘ order Selectmen

Then the sum of Four Hundred Dollars was voted 400 for the use of the Townsmen the Question of adjournment was put and carried and Monday the sixth day of Apriel ensueing at four o'clock in the Afternoon was appointed the time at this place

Meeting House Homeshole

Tisbury March 24th 1807 Attest William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss At a meeting legally warned and held according to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts on Monday the Sixth day of april in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & seven, for the choice of Governor, Lieut. Governor & Senator the freeholders & other Inhabitants being assembled, the Votes given in, Sorted and counted and declaration thereon being made there appeared as follows Vizt.

for James Sullivan	63	for Governour
for Caleb Strong	52	
Livi Lincoln	4	
William Worth	1	
Levi Lincoln	64	for Lieutenant Governor
Edward H Robbins	47	
James Sullivan	1	
Caleb Strong	1	
Isaac Coffin	1	

Votes for senator

Isaac Coffin	65	for Senetor
Wm Jernigan	32	
Wm Worth	8	
Jethro Worth	4	

entered on Record this sixth day of Apriel in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and seven Pr WILLIAM ATHEARN

Town Clerk

Tisbury ss. at a Meeting Legally warned and held according to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of County Treasurer on Monday the Sixth day of apriel in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred and seven, the Inhabitants being assembled according to Notifycation at the Meeting House in Homeshole, the Votes being given in Sorted & counted and declaration thereon made there appeared as follows

For John Hancock	67	for County Treasurer
Ezekiel Luce	23	
Jethro Athearn	18	

Tisbury ss At a Meeting legally warned and held at the meeting House in Holmes hole in Sd Tisbury on Monday the Sixth day of April A D. 1807 for the following purpose Vizt to see if the Town will agree to Remonstrate against the Petition of Thomas Cooke & Cornelius Merchants Esqr a Committe appointed by the Honourable Court of general sessions of this county, to Petetion the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to all the Term of P. Court now holden in Tisbury on the last Tuesday of october and ordain that that the same should be holden at Edgartown, The Freeholders &c being assembled they did then proceed to the choice of a Moderator when John Davis

was chosen, then proceeded to choose a Committe when the select men of the Town Viz.t

Ezekiel Luce
John Davis
Thos. Dunham
} were chosen a committe to report at the Representative meeting

Entered on the Record this 6th Apriel 1807

Wm. Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. the Town being met by adjournment from their Annual meeting held on the 24th day of March 1807. they proceeded to recieve the acceptance of Mr Ebenezer Jones as Constable of the Town of Tisbury for the present year an accordingly he was Duly Sworn, Likewise Cap. Jonathan Luce of Homeshole as Collector for the eastern district of Sd Tisbury

The Town did then appoint as a Committe to settle with William Athearn the former Treasurer and Transmitt the Books & papers to the present Treasurer and give him an acquittance

Messrs John Hancock
Belcher Athearn
Ebenezer Jones

Likewise the Select men did appoint Mr William Downs to act as sealer of Weights and Measurers for the present year and the meeting was disolved

Entered on the Record this 6th day of apriel in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & Seven

Attest William Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at meeting Legally warned and held agreable to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the Venire from the clerk of the Court of Sessions for Dukes county, the freeholders &c did assemble at the Meeting House in Homeshole and after the Jurers boxes were regulated according to law, they meeting did proceed, & the following persons were drawn Viz.t

Thomas Dunham
Noah Walrond
Lott Look
Matthew Merry
Lott Luce
} to serve as grand Jurors at the court of commonpleas & court of general sessions of the peace to be holden at Edgartown on the third Tuesday of May next

Francis Norton
Matthew Lumbert } To serve as Petit Jurors as the court as
John Cleaveland } above Mentioned.
Joseph Dexter

Entered on the Record this Sixth day of Apriel in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred & seven

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Meeting legally warned and held, at the meeting House in Homeshole, according to the constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the choice of some Person to serve as a Representative from said Town to the General Court to be holden at Boston on the last Wednesday of Said May Instant, the Freeholders & other Inhabitants being assembled, and a vote being taken whether the Town would Send a Representative or not, the vote passed in the affirmative, and the votes being given in, Sorted and counted and declaration thereon being made there apeared as follows Viz.t

for John Davis 29
for Shubael Dunham 1

accordingly Mr John Davis was declared duly Elected and was Notified accordingly

Entered on the Records of said Tisbury this 4.th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred & seven

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk.

To the Honourable the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled

The Remonstrance of your petitioners Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County, Humbly that at a legal meeting warned for that purpose in the Town of Tisbury on the sixth day of April A. D. 1807. And continued by adjournment to the fourth day May following, the Inhabitants beg leave to Remonstrate against the petition of Cornelius Marchant and others of the Honourable Justices of the court of common pleas & General Sessions of the Peace for the county aforesaid in Removing said Courts from the Town of Tisbury to the Town of Edgartown, which deprives the people of the S.d Town of Tisbury of a Priveledge which we think belongs to us the Remonstrants, Said Town being the Central Town in the County, for

one session is holden at Edgarton and to remove the other to the Town of Edgartown will be laying a burden on the people of the Town of Tisbury, for most of the Inhabitants live at a distance of nearly Ten miles from the Court house at Edgartown and wee shall be under many Inconveniencys to attend court twice a year at Edgartown, if our Honourable Court had Petitioned to hold but one session a year it would have lessened our expences (as lately we have had more Justices in the Commission of peace than at any former period since the Constitution was framed and we Should not complained for our county is very small, not larger than many Towns in this Commonwealth, but to remove the other sessions and to hold both at Edgartown will enhance our expences and Travail, so under the existing circumstances that we feel confident that your Honours will not permit the court to be altered from Tisbury to Edgartown. And we beg leave to refer your Honours for the foregoing statement, to the map the census of the County of Dukes County, and the Tax bill, Wherefore your Remonstrants Humbly pray and expect that your Honourable body will not remove said court from Tisbury to Edgartown where it is now held, and your Remonstrants as in Duty will ever pray,

THOMAS DUNHAM } *Committe appointed*
JOHN DAVIS } *by the Town*

Tisbury ss at a meeting legally warned and held for the Purpose of considering the porport of the foregoing Remonstrance, The people did assemble and it being read to them, they did then and there accept the same,

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

A True coppy from the original
Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury 22^{d} May in the year
of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & seven

Tisbury ss at a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants qualifyed by Law, and being legally warned and held at the Meeting House in Homeshole in S^{d} town on the seventeenth day of september 1807. for the following purposes Viz^{t} 1st to see if the Town will accept

the resignation of Ezekiel Luce as one of the Select men 2d. to choose some person to act as Town agent to manage the suit now pending between the sd Town of Tisbury and Rufus Spalding at the supreme Court 3d to see if the Town will choose one Select man 4th to choose a new Town Treasurer, The People being assembled The meeting was duly organized by chuseing John Davis Moderator, and did then proceed for the purposes mentioned in the warrant 1st to see if the Town will accept the Resignation therein mentioned which passed in the negatived, 2d. to choose an agent, when Thomas Dunham was chosen by a majority of Votes 3d, to se if the Town will choose one selectman which passed in the negative. 4th, to choose a Town Treasurer when John Hancock was chosen by a majority of the Voters present, the meeting was then dissolved

Tisbury 17th Sept 1807

Attest William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury Sept 26th. this day personally appeared Mr John Hancock and accepted the office of Town Treasurer of Tisbury for year 1807 and was duly sworn by me

William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss. at a meeting legally warned and held at the Meeting House in Holmeshole in sd Tisbury on the ninth day of october 1807 for the appointment by drawing from the box as the law directs Jurors for the Supreeme Judicial court to be holden at Barnstable and for Jurors at the court of commonpleas to be held at Edgartown the following persons were drawn

Vizt David Look Grand Jury } Supreeme Court
John Gray Petit Jury } Supreeme Court

Jethro Athearn
William Daggett
Jonathan Luce
Jethro Hilman
Timothy Luce Junr.
} Petit Jurors at the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown November Term 1807

Tisbury october 10th. 1807

Attest William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss at a Meeting Legally warned and Held at the Meeting House in Homeshole on Friday the thirteenth day of November 1807. for the following purposes Vizt 1st to take the sence of the Town in what way they will procure the money to Sattisfy the Execution that Rufus spalding Esqr has against the Town 2^{d} to choose a Town agent to collect all or any monies that is in any private persons hands which is the property of the Town &c The people being Assembled and the meeting organized by the choice of Mr Peter Norton as Moderator they did proceed to act as follows Vizt the Treasurer of the Town Vizt Mr John Hancock was Authorized to procure the money by loan or otherwise to sattisfy the Execution, Likewise Mr. John Hancock was chosen special agent for sd Town – and the meeting was disolved

entered on Record this 13th day of Nov year of our Lord 1807

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Be it known and remembered that on this seventeenth day of February in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred & eight I was served with the following Notifycation in the following words, Viz^{t} Sir, I hereby inform you that I intend to unite with, and become a member of the Baptist Society in Tisbury, Russell Hancock

Entered by me WILLIAM ATHEARN

Tisbury Feby. 4th 1808 *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Be it known and remembered that on the Twenty second day of February in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred & eight I was served with a notifycation in the following words Viz^{t}

To William Athearn clerk of the Town of Tisbury, Sir – We Hereby Inform you that we Intend to unite with and become members of the Baptist Society in Tisbury

PATIENCE ALLEN
MARY ALLEN

February 25th 1808 –

Tisbury ss Be it known and remembered that on the Twenty seventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and eight I was served with a notifycation in the following words Viz^{t} I Hereby Inform you that I intend to unite with and become a member of the first Baptist Society in Tisbury

Tisbury Feby $\frac{27^{th}}{1808}$ (signed) WILLIAM ATHEARN

To the Town Clerk
of Tisbury

Be it know and remembered that on the Twenty ninth day of February in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred and eight, I was served with a notifycation in the following words Viz.t These certifye that we Soloman Athearn and Elijah Athearn hath Joined with the Baptist Society in Tisbury

Signed SOLOMON ATHEARN
ELIJAH ATHEARN

Tisbury 27th Febr. 1808

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss. Att a meeting legally warned and held according to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts on monday the fourth day of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and eight at the court House in Sd Tisbury for the choice of Governor Lieut Governor, and Senator, The freeholders and other Inhabitants being assembled, the votes given in Sorted and counted and declaration thereon being made there appeared as follows, Viz.t

For James Sullivan	57	for Governor
" Christopher Gove	42	
" David Cobb	1	
" Poor Spalding	1	
" Ezekiel Luce	1	
For Levi Lincoln	60	For Luet Governor
" David Cobb	38	
" Christopher Gove	1	
Micajah Coffin	37	For Senator
John Davis	27	
William Jernigan	30	
Gersham Hussey	1	
Thos Jernigan	1	

Entered on the Record this fourth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eight

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss.

Att a meeting legally warned and held at the court house in Tisbury on Monday the fourth day of apriel in the year of our lord eighteen Hundred and eight for the choice of county Treasurer, the Voters being assembled, the votes being given in Sorted and counted, and declaration thereon being made there appeared as follows Vizt

for John Hancock 71 Seventy one
for Thomas Jernegan 31 Thirty one

entered on record this fourth
Day of April 1808

by William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss Att a meeting legally warned and held according to the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts on the fourth day of April in the year of our Lord. one thousand eight Hundred and eight (for the choice of Town officers for the year ensueing) at the court House in Tisbury. the Freeholders & other Inhabitants being assembled the Meeting was duly organized by the choice of Mr John Hancock for Moderator — the meeting did then proceed, and agreed to vote by holding up the hand, and the following officers were duly elected by the Sovereign people Vizt

William Athearn	Town clerk
Elisha Luce –	Select men & over seers poor –
Thomas Dunham	Select men & over seers poor –
John Davis	Select men & over seers poor –
John Hancock	Town Treasurer
Stephen Luce	constable
Oliver Crosby,	Collector for Homeshole District

Messr. Benjamin Chace, Jabez Smith, Jirah Luce Edmond Cottle Surveyers of Lumber

Mesr Benjamin Allen, John Hancock, Samuel Look, Lott Rogers, Joseph Chace, Fence Viewers

Messr. Jabez Smith, Matthew Merry, Samuel Look, Prince Rogers, Surveyors of Highway.

William Luce pound keeper. Shubael Cottle Esqr to put the pound in good repair and be well assisted by the Select men to git the charges thereof reimbursed

John Davis, Thomas Butler Junr and Benjamin Allen be a committe to examine the Town accts and report at the adjournment, the Sum of Nine Hundred Dollars was raised on the polls & estate in S^{d} Town for the current year, and the deficeincy in the last year, and that the assesers remit by order to those who have paid their Taxes in the last years assesment

The meeting was adjourned to the third Monday in the present month of April —

Entered on Record this fourth day of April in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight hundred and eight

by William Athearn *Town clerk*

Tisbury ss – at a Town meeting legally warned and held at the court House in Tisbury on the fourth day of April 1808 – following purpose Viz^{t} — to choose committe to regulate the Herring fisheries on any of the creeks which are under the Jurisdiction of the Town and the Sovereign people being assembled and the meeting duly organised they did proceed to elect the following persons as their committe to regulate Said fisheries in the most full and ample manner Viz^{t} Messr Timothy Chace, Samuel Look Malachi Luce, and Isaac Luce, and the meeting was disolved

entered on record this fourth day of april in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred & eight by me

William Athearn *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss – Att a meeting legally warned and held at the court House in Tisbury on Monday 9th April 1808 for the purpose of choose-ing a Representative to represent said Town in the General Court of the commonwealth of Massachusetts the people being assembled and the meeting organized they did proceed to call a vote to see whether the Town would chuse s^{d} Representative and the vote passed in the Negative —

entered on Record this 9th day of April eighteen Hundred & eight

Pr William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss, April 18th the adjournment of the annual meeting held on the 4th day of april was this day entered uppon, and Thomas Dunham & William Athearn was chosen Hogreeves, the meeting then went on the Subject of raising monney in addition to what was raised at first Viz^{t} the Sum of Nine Hundred dollars, for the support of the Towns poor

and other purposes, when to the disgrace of the Town there appeared Some who were opposed to the raising an adequate sum and with many words and much Sophistry did mislead the people, whereby the meeting which was convoked for wise and usefull purposes did become disorganised and was thereby disolved to the great dammage of the sd Town —

Entered on record this 18th day of April 1808

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss at a meeting Legally warned and held as the Law directs for the drawing of Grand & pettit Jurers for the county of Dukes County may Term 1808

The following persons were legally drawn from the boxes Vizt

Timothy Luce	Grand Jurors
Abisha Luce	
Warren Luce	
Abijah Hammett	
Isaac Luce	
Thomas Mantor	Pettit Jurors
William Pool	
Edmond crowell	
Peter Norton Junr	

Entered on Record this 18th/1808 April

WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

by order of the Select men Mr William Downs was appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures for the present year — and sworn —

18th April 1808 Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

by order of the Select Men Mr William Downs, and Cap. Elijah Hilman was appointed Measurers of wood and bark for the ensueing year

April 28th 1808

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. at a meeting Legally warned and held at the court House in Tisbury on monday the 9th day of May 1808 for the purpose of Regulating the Jury Boxes according to the Law passed March 12th 1808. The Select Men did lay before the Town a list of the persons names who were thought by them most Eligible to Serve as Travers Jurors, and General & Traverse Jurors, and after proper consideration the Town did

by vote rattify and confirm the State of the Boxes as presented by S^d^ Select men,

entered on record this 9th day of May in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and eight

WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

The determination of the undersigned fence viewers — as to a partition fence between Abijah Hammett & Bernard Luce divided by a brook, Vizt. It having been represented to us the Subscribers two of the fence viewers of the Town of Tisbury duly chosen and sworn, by Bernard Luce of S^d^ Town whoose land is divided from the land of Abijah Hammett by a brook, and that they could not agree in making a partition fence and the said Bernard having applyed to us to View the Same and determine thereon — We have after giving due notice to the sd Abijah, attended that servace, and do determine that it is Impracticable to fence at the true boundary line, and do therefore further determine that the fence shall in future be set up as follows Vizt. to begin at the S. E. corner of said Bernards fence adjoining the S^d^ Brook running E. by about two rods acrost Said brook thence Northly on the marsh on the east side of sd brook about seven or eight rods thence acrost said brook on the Marsh on the West side of sd brook about ten rods to a stake standing on the South Side of a Swamp wood bush about three feet from sd brook thence N. East on a strait course about Seven rods to a heap of stones laying by the side of Joseph Athearns fence about one rod from s^d^ brook on the east side — And do determine that the said Abijah Hammett shall build and maintain from the first mentioned bounds to the stake standing by the swampwood bush on the west Side of sd brook as his part — and the said Bernard shall build and maintain from the stake by the swamp wood bush to the heap of stones by Joseph Athearns fence on the east side of Said Brook Refference being had to said Bernards Deed of purchase of James Athearn Esq. for the remaining part of his half of the division fence — The above mentioned lines and boundaries and lands being in Tisbury about Sixty rods from Jonathan Athearns Grist mill —

given under our hands this Eighth day of June 1808 Signed by

JOHN HANCOCK } *Fence*
BENJAMIN ALLEN } *Viewers*

Tisbury June 14th 1808
Entered on Record ℘
WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

commonwealth of Massachusetts Tisbury ss Att a meeting legally warned and held at the meeting House in the Western parish in Tisbury on the thirtieth day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred and eight for the following purposes Viz.t 1.st to see if the Town will take any legal measures to sell the property or real Estate of Individuals who are or may become chargeable to Said Town 2d to se if the Town will permitt the inoculation of small pock on persons Inoculated with kine pock allso to se if they will allow two persons to be inoculated with small pock without being inoculated with kine pock, The people being assembled the meeting organised John Davis Esqr was chosen moderator and on the question respecting property of the poor it was moved to choose a committe to make legal inquiries on the Subject, and Mr Francis Norton Thomas Dunham and John Davis Esquires were chosen Said committe

on the question respecting inoculation either by Kine, or Small pock was totally Negatived and the meeting disolved

Entered on record this thirtieth day of august in the year of our Lord 1808

℘ William Athearn
Town Clerk

commonwealth of Massachusetts
Tisbury ss

at a meeting Legally warned and held at the Meeting House in the Western parish in Tisbury on the Eleventh day of october according to venire from the clerk of the Supreeme Judicial court for the counties of Barnstable & Dukes County — and from the Clerk of the court of commonpleas for Dukes county for Nov Term 1808 — the following persons were duly drawn from the boxes Viz.t Silas Crowell, grand Juror, Supreme Judicial court Timothy Merry Petit Juror, Supreme Judicial court

Joseph Allen
William Cottle
Benjamin Reynolds
Belcher Athearn
} Petit Jurors for court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown Nov. 1808

Entered on Record october 11th 1808

℘ William Athearn
Town Clerk

Be it know and remembered that on the fifteenth day of october in the year of our Lord 1808 I was served with a notifycation in the following words Vist

These certifye that I the subscriber hath Left the congregational Society and have joined the Baptist Society in Tisbury

MATTHEW MANTOR

Tisbury october 15th 1808

attest WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. Be it known and remembered that on the fifteenth day of october in the year of our Lord 1808 was lodged in this office a notifycation in the following words Vizt

These certifye that we the subscribers have left the Congregational Society in Tisbury and have joined the Baptist Society in sd Tisbury

Signed JEREMIAH MANTOR
MATTHEW MANTOR JUNR

Sighed BENJN DAVIS } *committe*
JOHN DAVIS }

ABISHA SAMPSON *Public Teacher*

Tisbury october 15th 1808

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. Be it known and Remembered that on the seventh day of February in the year of our Lord 1809 was lodged in this office a notifycation in the following words Vizt we the Subscribers have left the congregational Society in Tisbury and have joined the Baptist Society in said Tisbury

Signed SAMUEL CROWELL
JEREMIAH CROWELL

Signed BENJA DAVIS } *comitte*
JOHN DAVIS }

ABISHA SAMPSON *public Teacher*

Tisbury february 7th 1809

Attest WILLIAM ATHEARN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss At a meeting legally warned and held at the Meeting House in Holmeshole in the Town of Tisbury on the first monday being the 3d day of April in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred and nine

for the choice of Governor, Lieutenant governor and Senator & Councellor the voters being assembled, the meeting duly organised they did proceed to give in their votes, which being sorted, counted, and declaration thereon being made there appeared as follows Vizt.

for the Hon. Levi Lincoln	71	for governor
for the Hon. Christopher Gove	58	
for the Hon. Joseph B Varnum	1	
for the Hon. Josiah Barker	1	
for the Hon. Joseph B. Varnum	70	For Lieutenant governor
for the Hon. David Cobb	54	
for the Hon John Q. Adams	1	
for the Hon Josiah Barker	1	
for the Hon Walter Folger	1	
For Walter Folger Junr	72	For Senator
For Josiah Barker	50	
For Matthew Mayhew	1	
For Joseph B Varnum	1	
For David Cobb	2	

all which Votes were Sealed up in open meeting and directed according to law

April 3d. 1809.

Attest William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss Att a meeting legally warned & held according to law at the Meeting House in Homeshole in the Town of Tisbury on the first Monday in April (being the third day, in the year of our Lord eighteen Hundred and nine, for the choice of a County Treasurer the voters being assembled, the votes given in Sorted, counted there appeared as follows Vizt

For John Hancock	79	for county Treasurer
For Thomas Jernigan	29	

all which votes being returned as agreable to law

Tisbury Apr 3d 1809

Attest William Athearn
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss At a meeting legally warned & held according to Law at the meeting House in Holmeshole in the Town of Tisbury on the third

day of april in ye year of our Lord eighteen Hundred and nine for the choice of all such officers as Towns are required By law to chose in the month of March or april & to vote moneys for defraying town Debts and for report of Poor and Proceeded to Vote by the uplifted Hand

John Davis Esqr chosen Moderator
Elijah Hillman Town Clerk & sworn

Belcher Athearn Jabez Smith Elijah Hillman	Selectmen & over Sears of Poor	sworn by John Davis Esqr
John Hancock	Town Treasurer	
Wm Ferguson	Constable & Collector	
Wm Smith Collector for Holmes hole district Sworn		
David Look Samuel Look	surveyors Highways	
Edmund Cottle Jira Luce sworn Benj Chase sworn	Surveyors Lumber	
Peter Norton John Davis Timothy Chase	fence viewers	
William Luce	Pound Keeper	
Lot Luce sworn Jonathan Manter Isaac Luce Martin Luce	Hog Reaves	
William Downs	Sealer of Weights & Measures	
Benj Trask	Inspector Glober Salts	

Voted four Hundred dollars to pay town debts Voted five Hundred dollars for suport of the poor Voted the money for suport of the poor be assesed in seperate bills Voted to adjourn this meeting untill the first tusday in may @ 4 oclock A M

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Appointed By the Selectmen

William Downs & Sworn as Sealer of weights & Measures also Surveyor of wood & Bark

apointed & Sworn Lathrop Merrey Surveyor of wood and Bark

April 27th 1809 Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

May 2d 1809

the Inhabitants of Tisbury met agreeable to adjournment William Downs was chosen as an assesor in stead of Elijah Hillman resigned Stephen Luce Town Constable in stead of Wm Ferguson & Sworn

Voted Elijah Hillman
Jabez Smith } be a committee to Examin Town acct
Belcher Athearn

Benjamin Allen Esqr apointed agt for the Town to Endavour to recover a fine paid by said Tisbury for neglect to raise School money for ye year 1809 Voted To raise the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars in adition to the above sum of four Hundred dollars to defray town debts

Voted the Selectmen Hire a house for the reception of the poor of said Town and provide for them by contract or otherwise in Such way and maner as shall be convenient with the Cituation of the Town and of Said Poor

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagally warnd & held for the choice of Representitive to the General court on tusday the 2^{d} day of may 1809 at one of the clock in the afternoon the votes were as follows

for Edmund Cottle 33 } when the said Hancock was sworn
John Hancock 53

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagally Warnd for the the Purpose of drawing Jurors on tusday 2d day may 1809 the following Jurors were drawn according to Law

Nath Clifford
Shubal Weeks
Philip Luce } Grand an Travers Jurior^{s} for Dukes County at the County Court
James Weeks
Jacob Norton

Malicha Luce
Prince Rodgers
John Manchester } Travers Juriors for Trials at said court
Michael Daggett

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

May 2d 1809

Be it remembered that on the 17th day of July year 1809 Urial Coffin filed in a Certifycate in this office Purporting that he hath Joined the

Baptist Society in the following words Viz We Abisha Sampson John Davis Benj Davis Certyfy that the said Urial Coffin doth frequently and usually attend with us at stated meetings for Religious Worship

Tisbury July 17th 1809

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

Agreable to the Laws of this Commonwealth By Virtue of a Petition of ten free Holders Inhabitants of Tisbury A meeting was Leagally warned and Held at the Meeting House in Holmeshole in Said Town on tusday Septr 26, 1809 Peter Norton Chosen Moderator

Viz Thos Dunham, Elijah Hillman, Sam^{ll} Claghorn — a comittee to forme Sundrie resolutions respecting the Banking System and report on tusday 30th at the time appointed for drawing Juriors

Rufus Spalding, John Hancock — A comittee with the over Seers of the poor of said Tisbury to examin the demands of said Town of Tisbury against this commonwealth and Petition the Legislature to discharge the sd demands at their next term in december to take any evidence or otherwise they may think necessary respecting said accounts meeting disolved.

Attes ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Meeting Leagally Warned the Inhabitants met at the meeting house in Holmes hole on tusday the 2d of Octob^{r} 1809 An drew agreable to Venira from the Grand an Travis Jury Box Benj Athearn to serv at the supreme Court at Barnstable

Emanuel Joseph drawn as Travis Jurior for Barnstable

Attest

ELIJAH HILLMAN

Town Clerk

Tisbury Ocr, 28 1809

At a meeting Leagally warned the Inhabitants of Tisbury met & considered the Report of a committee Chosen to form Resolutions uppon the Banking System and Excepted the said report

Voted also the same be made publick by Printing in one of the Publick news papers

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN

Town Clerk

At a meeting Notiefyed

agreable to Venira the following Persons were drawn out of the box for Petty Juriors to Serve in the county court of Pleas to be Holden at Edgartown on the 7 day Nov 1809

James Cottle
Joseph Look

At a meeting of the Select men of the Town of Edgartown & Tisbury for the purpose of Runing the lines and running the marks between the said Towns when it was mutually agree^{d} the lines run and renewed as follows (viz) Beginning at the steping stones at the head of the Legoone pond so called) and from thence runing North twenty seven Degrees West to a heep of Stones lying between two Oak studles on the south side of the Road that runs from Edgartown to Homeshole on the West side of the Harbour and to continue on the same Direction to Tashmoo spring so called being five hundred and forty Rods in the whole distance and from said Teshmoo spring due south by several heaps of Stones layed by the sides of the ways which the Said line Croses to a heap of stones Lying twenty one Rods to the westward of the House that lately Belonged to Christopher Luce des^{d} and to continue on the same south Course by heaps of stones layed by the sides of the ways and by marked Trees untill it comes to the Road that runs from Edgartown to Tisbury to a heep of stones on the North side of said road and four feet to the Eastward of a Remarkable Ant heap and from thence in asmuch as the Parties have not before them the Latest surveys or Grants of Ither of the said Towns it is agreed upon by them the line should continue from the described Bounds Easterly by the said Tisbury Road one hundred and sixty seven rods to where a pine tree formerly Stood which is the westerly Bounds of the first Division of the new purchase in the Town of Edgartown Oposite to a path Called Simon Newcombs Path where it leads in to the said Tisbury Road and from thence to Run Southerly to a place where the House of John Butler formerly Stood and to continue Southerly to the midle of Watcha neck

Entred on Record this
12 day dec 1809

Daniel Coffin
Elijah Stuart
Belcher Athern
Jabez Smith
Selectmen of Edgartown & Tisbury

Town Tisbury met according to notifycation on monday the 12 day feby 1810

1st Chose a moderator Jabez Smith

2d took into consideration the demand of the Town of freeport for suport of William Draper which demand of 76^{s} 75 was sued for

3d Voted not to apoint an agent for defending the suit

4th Voted the town of Tisbury demand from Joseph Athern the money in His hands as Guardian to William Draper and pay the demand of the Town of Freeport for suport of said Draper

5 Meeting Disolved

ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clck*

Tisbury ss at a meeting duly notiefyed on monday 2d april 1810

Town met at the meeting House in the Western Parish John Davis was chosen moderator and the Votes Given in for County Treasurer were as follows Viz

for John Hancock	18	for County Treasurer
Thomas Jernigan	37	
John Cottle	3	

E HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at the day & year above said

At a meeting duly Notiefyed the Inhabitants met at the metting House in the Western parish when the votes for Govr Liet Govr & Senator were Given in as follows Viz

for Christopher Gove	47	for Governor
for Elbridge Gerry	44	
William Gray	44	for Liet Governor
David Cobb	46	
Walter Folger Jr	44	for Senator
Josiah Barker	15	
George Athern	14	

All of which Votes were Sorted counted and declared in open town meeting & then Sealed according to Law

Tisbury april 2d 1810

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss At a meeting duly notiefyed the inhabitants met on monday 2d day of april 1810 at the meeting House in the Western Parish and proceeded to Vote by the uplifted hand for the following Persons

John Davis Moderator
Elijah Hillman Town Clerk sworn
Ezekel Luce
Jabez Smith } Select men assesors over Seers poor
Elijah Hillman
Barnard Luce Town Constable
Thos Manchester Jr Collector
John Hancock Town Treasurer
Mathew Manter } Surveyors Highways sworn
Sam^{ll} Look
Jira Luce
Wm Harding } sworn
James Foster } Surveyors Lumber
Tristram Weeks } sworn
Joseph Chase
Samll Claghorn } sworn fence viewers
Wm Davis } sworn
Warren Luce
Robert Look } Hog Reeves
William Luce Pound Keeper
Rufus Spalding
Elisha Luce } comittee for Inspection of Cow Pox Enoculation
Lot Luce

Voted To Raise the sum of one Hundred Dollars to pay debts of the Town

Voted three Hundred Dollars for Support of Poor

Voted three Hundred Dollars for Schools

Voted two Hundred Dollars for Repairs Highways but Reconsidered

Benjn Allen
Thos Butler } Comitee to Examin Town Accts
Ezekel Luce

Thomas Dunham
Noah Waldron
John Hancock
Lot Luce } Scholl Comittees
Stephen Luce
Jabez Smith

The meeting then adjournd to the first monday in may next

Attest Elijah Hillman
Town Clerk

Town met aGrable to ye above adjournment John Davis morderator Elijah Luce chosen Collector of Taxes for the western Parish in said Town then the following persons were chosen school comittee In adition to the above

Abijah Hammett
William Davis
John Cottle
Elisha Luce
} School Comittee

Meeting then Disolved

May 7th 1810

At a meeting Legally Notifyed and warned for the purpose the following persons were drawn out of the Boxes as Juriors for the court of Pleas to be holden at Edgartown

Grand an Travis Juriors:
Peter Manter
Ezekel Luce
James West
Joseph Chase
Shubal Dunham

Traves Juriors:
William West
Benjn Lumbert
Shubal Luce
Abijah Gray

Attest
Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Be it Remembered that on the fourth day of august 1810 I was Served with a notifycation in the following words viz these are to certify that I the subscriber hath Left the congregational Society and have Joined the Baptist Society in Tisbury August 13, 1810

Signed Samuel Crowell

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Legally warned and held on Sept 26 1810 in the western parish Rufus Spalding was Chosen Collector of taxes for the Eastern parish in said Town in Stead of Thos manchester who was chosen at the anual meeting in the 2d of April preceding Rufus Spalding Sworn as above collector taxes

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a meeting leagally warned and held at the western parish in Tisbury on Sept 26 1810 by vitue of Venira from the Clerk of the Superior court to be holden at Barnstable on the fourth Tusday of october next 1810 the following Persons were drawn from the Boxes

Viz Mayhew Norton from the Grand an Travis Jurior Box Mathew Luce from the Travers Jurior Box to Serve at said court

attest ELIJAH HILLMAN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss at a meeting Leagally warned and held at the meeting House in the western Parish on tuesday 23d of oct 1810

and drew the following persons to serve as Travers Jurors to serve at the Court of Please to be holden at Edgartown on the first Tusday of Nov next

Ebnr Jones
Stephen New
Hezekiah Reynolds
Jira Luce

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN
Town Clerk

Tisbury ss on tusday ocr 23 — 1810

The Inhabitants of Tisbury met at the western Parish in said Town by Virtue of notifycation according to Law

Ezekel Luce was Chosen moderator

Voted Rufus Spalding agent for the Town to defend the Suit cominced by Benjamin Trask against Said Town

Also to Answer to an Inditement against Said for not keeping Publick School also in any matter with Respect to the above wherein the said Town may Be Intrested

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

Tisburyss at a meeting Legally warnd and Held in the western parish in Tisbury on Novr 5th 1810 the following Votes were Given in for Representitive in the Congress of the united States as follows

for Isiah L Greene 9
Francis Roatch 4
attest ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury January 30th – 1811

These may Certify that I have byn Served this day with a Certifycate in the following words that we Nathan Clifford Lot Rodgers William Ferguson Jacob Clifford Stephen Clifford & Thankful Clifford have left the Congregational Society and have Joined the Baptist Society also Ephraim Dunham Junr

attest ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury feby 27 1812

These May Certify that this day I have bin Served with a certifycate in the following words We the subscriber do hear by certify that we have left the Congregational Society and have Joined the Baptist Society in Tisbury

Signd ROBERT RODGERS HENRY ATHEARN JOHN ATHEARN

Tisbury ss at a meeting leagally Held by the Inhabitants of said Town at the meeting House in Holmeshole on monday 1st of april 1811 at one p m

the Votes for County Treasurer were

for Thos Jernigan	17
for Thos Dunham	25
Samll Smith	1
John Hancock	1

at said meeting for County Register

were for Samll Smith 56

At a meeting leagally Held by the Inhabitants at the time & place as above expressed for the Choise of Governor Lieut Gover & Senator were as follows

Viz for Elbridge Gerrey	35
Honbl Christopher Gove	8
Thos Dunham	1
Wm Gray	1
Christopher Gove	20
for Lut Governor	
Wm Gray	38
Elbridge Gerry	1
Wm Philips	4
Wm Phillips Esqr	19
Honbl Wm Philips	5

for Senator

Walter Folger Ju	34
Josiah Barker	26
Wal Fol Jr	2

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury on Monday april 1st 1811 Held at The meeting House in Holmes hole on said day at 3 p m

Thomas Dunham moderator

Elijah Hillman Town Clerk

Ezekel Luce	Selectmen ass ovr Seers poor
Elijah Hillman	
Jabez Smith	
John Hancock	Town Treasurer
Belcher Athearn	Constable
Lathrop Merrey	Constable
Shubal Dunham	fence Viewers
Lot Luce	
John Hancock	
Abijah Gray	
John Cottle	
Sam^{ll} Look	Surveyors Highways
David Look	
Jabez Smith	
Wm Downes	School Comittee
Jonathan Manter Jr	
Noah Waldron	
Jonathan Lumbert	
Stephen Luce	
Peter Norton	
Malicha Luce	

Jira Luce Wm Harding Benjn Chase & Shubal Luce Surveyor lumber

Rufus Spalding Benjn Trask Inspectors Glober Salts

Wm Cottle Thos Dunham Joseph Dexter field Drivers

Thos Dunham Sam^{ll} Claghorn Matw Luce Hog Reaves

Mathew Manter John Cottle and Jabez Smith Hog Reaves

Thos Manter Jessee Luce Wm Downs Tything men

Hugh Kithcart Tything man

Voted Three Hundred Dollars for the Support of the Poor

Three Hundred Dollars for Town Schools

Benjn Allen Jethro Athearn Sam[ll] Claghorn Comittee to Examine Town accts

Then by Vote adjourned this meeting to Monday the 6 of may next at the meeting House in Holmeshole at 3 p m

Attest

ELIJAH HILLMAN

Town Clerk

Agrable to adjournment the Inhabitants of Tisbury met at the time & Place

Voted William Luce pound keeper

Voted to Excuse Belcher Athern from Serving as comittee

Voted Jabes Luce chosen constable & Collector in Stead thierof & sworn

meeting then Disolved

ELIJAH HILLMAN *Town Clerk*

May 6 1811

at a meeting Legally notiefyed and held at the meeting House in Holmeshole for the purposes of Drawing Juriors the following persons were Drawn as Grand an Travers Juriors for the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third tusday of may Inst

Benj Allen
John Hancock
Thomas Butler
W[m] Worth
David Luce
} Grand an Travers Juriors

Also at the time and place above named for travers Juriors at the above courts

Abijah Athern
Abisha Luce
Freman Norton
Belcher Athearn
} As Travers Juriors

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN

Town Clerk

At a meeting leagally Notiefyed and warned for Regulating Jurior Boxes the Select men presented the several Lists of Persons qualliefyed to serve as Juriors and the same being Voted

The Boxes were accordingly Regulated by the Select men

Attest ELIJAH HILLMAN

Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for the purpose of chooseing a Representitive on the six of may 1811 for to Represent the said Town in General Court to be held at Boston on the last wensday in may

The votes were Given in as follow[s]

John Hancock	44
John Davis	44
Joseph Daggett	1

which amounted to no choice

then proceeded to Vote a second time and after keeping the poll open for the space of one hour

the Votes were sorted counted and Declared as follows

for John Hancock Esqr	45
for John Davis Esqr	44
Abner Luce	1

which not being a choice then proceeded to ballot a third time the Votes given in being Sorted and counted and Declaration there of was made as follows

Vis for John Hancock Esqr	57
for John Davis Esqr	41
for Abner Luce	1

Mr John Hancock was accordingly declared chosen and Duly notifyed

Attest Elijah Hillman
Town Clerk

Tisbury Sepr 23d 1811

At a meeting leagally Notiefyed the Inhabitants of Sd Town met when the following Persons were drawn by the selectmen of said Town from the Boxes to Serve for Juriors at Barnstable Court for Dukes County & Barnstable to be holden on the first Tusday of oct[r] next Jonathan Athern Grand An Traverse juriors Timothy Luce Travers Jurior

Elijah Hillman
Town Clerk

At a meeting Legally warned the Inhabitants of Tisbury met at the meeting House in Holmes hole on Saturday the 28 of sepr 1811 Ezekel Luce moderator

Voted Rufes Spalding as agent for the Town of Tisbury to defend

the suit cominced by Doc Benj Trask against said Town to be tryd at the Supream Court to be holden at Barnstable on tusday the first of October next

Attest Elijah Hillman
Town Clerk

Tisbury ocr 26 1811

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Agrable to Vinira from the Court of Pleas & Sessions to be holden at Edgartown on the first tusday in novr the following Persons were drawn to Serve on Traverse Juriors at Said Court

Nathan Smith	Theadoreus Parsons
Bartlett Pease	Timothy Chase Jr

Attest Elijah Hillman
Town Clerk.

Be it remembered that on the 21 day of february 1812 I was served with a certifycate dated dec 9th 1811 in the following words viz

the Subscribers do hearby certify that wee have left the Congregational Society and Joined the Baptist Society in Tisbury

James Cleveland	George Manter
Clifford Dunham	Melatiah Norton
Abigail Dunham	Athearn Manter
Marjory Luce	

Attest Elijah Hillman.
Town Clerk of Tisbury

Be it remembred that this day I was Served with a certifycate in the following words I the Subscriber do certify that I have left the Congregational Society and I have Joined the Baptist Society in Tisbury

Signed James Luce

Tisbury feby 26 1812

Be it remembered that the day of the date hearof I was served with a Sertificate in the following words I hearby certify that I have joined the Baptist Society in Tisbury

Febuary 28, 1812

Signed Ephraim Harding
attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Be it remembered that the day of the date Hearof I was Served with A certifycate in the following words that I the Subscriber Do Certify that I have left the Congregational Society and Joined with the Baptist Society in Tisbury

Signd Ephraim Dunham
Attest Elijah Hillman
Town Clerk

Tisbury feby 29th 1812

In the Western Parish

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Notiefyed and warned said Inhabitants met for the choice of county Treasurer on monday the 6 of april 1812 one a clock John Hancock was Chosen Moderator by writen ballots and the Votes for County Treasurer

were for John Hancock	72
for Thos Jernigan	60

at a meeting duly Notiefyed and Warned the Inhabitants of Tisbury met in the western Parish on monday 6 april 1812 at 2 p m for the Choice of Gov Liet, Gov & Senator

when the Votes were Given in as follows viz

for Elbridge Gerrey as Gov	72	Govr
do Caleb Strong do	64	Govr
Wm King	70	Lut Govr
Wm Philips	62	Lut Govr
Walter Folger	1	Lut Govr
Josiah Barker	1	Lut Govr
Walter Folger	71	for Senetor
Josiah Barker	57	for Senetor

at a meeting duly Notiefyed and warned the Inhabitants of Tisbury met at the western Parish on april 6th 1812 @ 4 p m when the following Persons were chosen as Town officers

Viz John Hancock morderator

Elijah Hillman Town Clerk sworn

Elijah Hillman sworn
John Hancock sworn
James Cottle sworn
} Selectmen & assesors & over Seers Poor

Wm Davis Town Treasurer Sworn by J Davis
Sworn Matthew Merrey Constable & collector of western Parish
sworn Samuel Claghorn Constable & collector of Eastern Parish

Sam[ll] Look
David Look } Surveyors Highways

Jira Luce sworn
W[m] Harding sworn
W[m] Andrews sworn
Trustram Weeks sworn } Surveyors Lumber

Samll Claghorn sworn
Jonathan Lumbert
John Cottle sworn } fence viewers

the selectmen were chosen a committee to take Into Consideration the demand of the Town of Tisbury against Benj Trasks to sue for the same or settle it in any other way as they may think most for the Towns Intrest meeting then adjourned to the second monday of may at 2 p m at the meeting house in the western Parish 1812

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerke*

Be it remembered that a Certifycate Signed by Abisha Sampson teacher and John & Benj Davis Comittee for the baptist Society in Tisbury Declaring that Eddy Luce does fequently attend at stated Seasons the Religious Worship in their Society and dated April 6 1812

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

1812 On monday the 11 of May the Inhabitants of Tisbury Met at the Meeting House in the western Parish ageable to the above adjournment and acted as follows Viz

Chose Obed Coffin Hog Reave sworn
John Cottle do
Robert Look do

Chose Lot Luce
Peter Norton
Ezekel Luce
W[m] Davis
W[m] Furguson } committee to divide the Town into School Destricts

Voted the Sum of four Hundred Dollars for spport Poor
Voted three Hundred Dollars for Publick Schools

Chose Shubal Dunham
Wm Ferguson
Peter Norton
John Hancock
Noah Waldron
James West
} School Comittee

Chose Peter West
Peter Norton
Ezekel Luce
} comittee to Settle with John Hancock Town Treasurer & Transfer the Books to Wm Davis Recently chosen Treasurer

Meeting then Disolved

Attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

On Monday may 11th 1812

Agreeble to Notiefycation the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury met at the Meeting House in the western Parish in Said Town at 3 p m

when the votes for Representitives to Represent Said Town in the General Court of the Commonwealth to be Holden at Boston on the last wensday of said month were given in as follows Viz

for John Hancock 72
for Wm Worth 56

And the said Hancock was accordingly chosen

attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

Ageable to Notiefycation the Inhabitants of Tisbury Met at the meeting House in the western Parish on monday may the 11 at 4 p m and Drew from the Jurior Boxes the following Persons Viz

Thomas Cathcart
Joseph Allen
Samll Look
Wm Davis
Jethro Athern
} Grand an Traverse Juriors to serve through the whole year

Freeman Gray
Willard Luce
Lot Rogers
Mayhew Look
} Traverse Juriors

To serve at the court of common Please to be Holden at Edgartown on the 3d tusday of may which is the 19 Inst

attest Elijah Hillman *Town Clerk*

On Monday the thirteenth day of July 1812

agreeable to notification met to gether at the meeting house in the western parish in Tisbury and did then and there pass the following votes Viz

first John Hancock was chosen Moderator of Said meeting

Second Ezekiel Luce chosen Town Clerk was sworn Ezekiel Luce was chosen Selectman in the room of Elijah Hillman who was former Selectman & Town clerk

3rd it put to vote wether the Town would authorise the Selectmen to appoint a watch the Vote negatived

then it was Voted the following persons Should be a Committee of Safty for S^{d} Town to act in behalf of Said Town as Circumstances and necessaty requires for the benefit & Security thereof the persons chosen were William Daggett William Down's Lot Luce Jeremiah Manter Edmund Cottle Jabez Smith Peter Norton Francis Norton John Cottle to act for the Safety of Sd town

5 Timothy Luce was

Voted to transfer the Town books and documents from Elijah Hillman to Ezekiel Luce the present Town Clerk

it was voted at said meeting that the Selectmen should warn and hold the next town meeting where they Should think best

EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clerk*

At a leagal meeting of the male inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in Dukes County & Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified as the law directs to vote for Representitive holden at Tisbury on monday the Second day of November A D 1812 for the purpose of giving in there Votes for one representitive in the first Southern Destrict to represent them in the Congress of the united States of america the whole number of Votes given in were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by law directed and were for the following persons Viz

for John Reed Esqr had 50 Vots for Representitive

for Isaiah Luccers Green Esqr 54 Vots for Representitive

Novr 2 1812

Attest EZEKIEL LUCE *Town Clerk*

At a Leagal meeting of the male inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County & Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the constitution to Vote for Representitive holden on the

twelvth day of Novr A D 1812 agreeable to a resolve of the general Court of said Commonwealth passed octr 22 1812 for the purpose of choosing four electors in the Southeren district of said Commonwealth for the election of president and Vice President of the United States the whole number of Votes given in were sorted counted Recorded and declaration thereof made as by Said resolve directed and were for the following persons for William Rotch Jr 79 Vots Elector William Heath 79 Joshua Thomas 79 David Scudder 79 Vots for elector John Adams 44 Nathaniel Morton Jr 44 John Davis 44 Joseph Barker 44

Attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

At a leagal meeting duly warned & held at Tisbury Novr 12 1812 for the purpose of choosing a Collector for Collecting the tax made for Samuel Claghorn who was chosen at the annual meeting in april 1812 Said Claghorn being removed out of the Commonwealth and at said meeting John Hencock was chosen Moderator then Matthew Merry was excpted in the room and steed of Samuel Claghorn to fullfill said Claghorn

Collection by Vote of the Town

Tisbury Novr 12 1812

Attest Ezekiel Luce *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting duly warned & held at Tisbury In the Eastern Precinct at holmes hole the Thirtyeth Day of November 1812 the Freeholders & other Inhabitants being assembled for to act on the articles to Wit

1st to Chuse a moderator

2d to petition the Legislature of the United States to prohibit the Exportation of Corn and flour during the presant Scarsaty

3^{d} to petition the Said Legislature that the Nonimportation Act may be rigidly & strictly Enforced against England to prevent Silver & cold from going out of the United States and particularly out of the Town

Nov 30th 1812

Agreeable to Notification the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury aforesaid convened at the time & place set forth In the Notification Town Clerk not present

Voted that Lot Luce preside as Moderator

Voted that Shubal Dunham to act as Clerk Pro Tem

Voted Unanimously that the petison now read and presented to the meeting be Transmited to the Hon Isaiah L Green our Representative In Congress

Voted that Shubal Dunham be appointed to take the Same into a new draft and transmit the Same into a new draft and transmit the Same Shubal Dunham Clerk Protem

Entered may th 11th 1813

Wm Davis *T Clerk*

Be it rembered that on the day of this date I was served with a certificate in the following words we the Subscribers of the Sect called Baptist in the Town of Tisbury do hereby Certify that Matthew Merry & Tristram Week doth belong to Said Baptist Society and they attend with us in our Stated meetings for religous Worship

John Davis
Benj Davis } *Committee Clerk*
Wm Downs

Tisbury Febr 20 1813

Tisbury ss At a meeting duely Notified the Inhabitants met on Wednesday the twenty Fourth Day of march A D 1813 at the Meeting house In the Eastern Parish to Vote by ballot for the following Persons that is by Law required for Town officers

John Hancock Moderator
William Davis Town Clerk sworn
John Hancock
Theodothis Persons } Selectmen sworn
Mathew Merry
William Davis Town Treasurer sworn
Sworn Presbury Norton Constable Town Excepted Peter Norton thereof in his Stead
John Holmes Constable in the Easton Parrish
Jirah Luce James Cottle
sworn Wm Harding Shubal Luce } Survayors of Lumber
Tristraim Weeks
Joseph Chase
John Cottle
Lot Luce } Fence Vewers
Thomas Cathcart

John Cottle
John Crosby } Hog Reefs
Thomas Dunham
Wm Luce Pound keeper

Voted the Sum of Four hundred Dollars to Defray Town Exspences
Samuel Look to Inspect Sheep marks when taken of by
Dr Silas West Inspector of Glob Salts
this meeting ajorn'd to the first monday of may next

attest Wm Davis *T Clerk*

Met according to Ajournment

Voted that the Town Treasurer should Issue his warrant against the Delinquent constables after three months according to the returns of the Select mens. It Should be paid In Voted Two hundred Dollars be raised for Town Schools

N W De	Freeman Gray Peter Norton Jr	School Committee
	Noah Waldron Abijah Hamett	School Committee
First S De	Noah Walrond Abijah Hammett	School Committee

Tisbury ss At a meeting legally Held by the Inhabitants of Said Town at the Meeting house in Holmes hole on monday the First Day of April 1813 For the chose of govner Lieut govner & Senator were as follows Viz

For Joseph B Varnum	72	Govner
For Caleb Strong	47	
For Wm King	1	
For Wm King	72	Lieut Govner
Do Wm Phillops	48	
Do Walter Folger	1	
For Senator Walter Folger Jr	71	Senators
Do Do Josiah Barker	48	

At a meeting Legally Held by the Inhabitants at the time & place as above mentioned for the chose of county Treasurer

For Thomas Jernegen	45	County Treasurer
For John Hancock	68	

attest Wm Davis *T Clerk*

Tisbury ss

At a meeting Legally held for the Purpose of choosing a Representitive on Monday the 10th Day of May 1813 For to Represent the Said Town In the General Court to be held at Boston on the last Wednesday In May the Qustion was put to Vote whether to Send or not Send the Vote was not to Send

attest W.M. Davis *T Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a meeting Legally Warned for the purpose of Drawing Jurors on monday the 10th Day of May 1813 the Following Persons were Drawn according to Law as Grand and travers Juriors for the Court of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Tuesday of May next

Timothy Athearn	Grand travers Jurors
W.m. Pool	
Benjamin Ranols	
John Cottle	
Jabez Luce	
Mathew Merry	travers Juriors
Jonathan Mantor Jr	
Isaac Luce	
Obed Coffin	

Attest W.M. Davis *T. Clerk*

Tisbury ss: Agreeable to the Law of this Commonwealth by Virtue of a petiton of Teen freeholders Inhabitants of Tisbury a meeting was warned on the 10th of May to held on 15th of Said month at the Meeting house at Holmes hole for the purpose of chosing a Represenative to represent the Said Town In the General Court to be held at Boston on the Last Wednesday In May the Inhabitants above mentioned met on Said day a motion was made and seconded to Disolve Said meeting and it was a Vote to Disolve Said Meeting

Attest W.M. Davis *T Clerk*

To the Honourable the Senate and House of Representative of the United States in Congress Assembled

Your Memorialist and petistioners Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury and County of Dukes County State of Massachusetts In legal town meeting assembled beg leave to state that your petitioners in conse-

quence of the War with Great Britain are many of them destitute of employment by being deprived of their real Occupations and the present high price of bread considerably adds to their embarrasment while your petitioners are dayly obliged to give nearly double the Usual price of bread they see with infeighed Sorrow Vessels dayly carrying Bread stuff (under British Linners) out of the United States to the ports & Countries under the controul of the British Nation & their Armies In return we see the Manufactures of Great Britian filling our ports & Towns thereby aiding our enemies as well as drawing out pecious Metails (now so much wanted in our Country We the Inhabitants of Tisbury do petition the Legislator of our nation that the Exporation of Bread Stuffs may be prohibited during the present Scarsity and in imitation of our Forefathers of the Revolution do request that the Nonimportation Law may be strictly and rigidly enforced against Great Britain which will we believe alleviate many of our Citizens in the price of Bread and find Employment for our own Manufacturing Citizen to the Exclusion of the Manufactures of Enemies, and will also keep the Specia In our Country your Memmorialists beg leave further to Remark that no Nation (to our Knowledge) even become a great maratime power Untill they could manufacture for themselves no nation that ever admited British goods to be Imported amongst them without some restriction but what Experienced a decline In their own Manufactories a scarcity of specia frequently a dismemberment of their Empire Wherefore your Memmoralist & petitioners for the reason before mentioned do request that the above petition if consistant with the national welfare may be carried into Effect — Your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray

Lot Luce *moderator*
Shubal Dunham *clerk*

May 13th 1813

Recorded Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Be It Remembered that on the Day of this Date I was served with A Certificate In the Following words We the Subscribers Oliver Tilton Belcher Athearn Committee of the Congregation Union Society Do Certfy that Timothy Luce of Tisbury Doth belong to Said Society

Dated this 31st of May 1813

Oliver Tilton } *committee*
Belcher Athearn }

William Davis *Town Clerk*

Be it rememered that on the Day of this Date I was Served with a certificate In the following words We Certify that Stephen Luce of the Town of Tisbury Is a member of the Religious Society In the Town of Chilmark called the Congregation Union Society Dated this 1st Day of July A D 1813

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk* } Timothy Luce } *Committee*
} Oliver tilton }

Tisbury ss At a meeting leagally Held by the Inhabitants of Said Town at the Meeting house in holmes hole on monday the 26 Day of July A D 1813 For to Chuse an Agent to Defend a Suit brought by the Inhabitants of Edgartown For the Support of a negro woman as sot forth in the Decrelation of Said Writ

Vot John Hancock Moderator

Voted John Hancock to act as agent in behalf of the Town of Tisbury to Defend sd Suit against the Inhabitants of Edgartown; the agent Is also Autherised by the Town to Appear by him Self or Atterney In any Court proper to try the Same and also to Settle It by Referance or by Compromising with the plantiff & to Imploy If thought Proper Some Person to Examin the law of this Commonwealth If thought Nessarary for the benifit of Said Town

Attest William Davis
Town Clerk

Tisbury July 26 – A D 1813

Be It Remembered that on the Day of this Date I was Served with a certificate In the Following words We the Subscribers John Davis Benjamin Davis Committee Thomas Cathcart Clerk of Said Baptist Society in the town of Tisbury Do hereby Certify that James Cottle of Tisbury Doth belong to Said Society and has Contributed to the Suport of the Baptist Teachers Ever Since the year 1810 and that he when Able attends with us In our Stated Meetings for Religous Worship Dated Aug 23 – 1813.

Entered October 3 – 1813 John Davis } *committee*
Benjamin Davis }

Wm Davis *Town Clerk* Thomas Cathcart *Clerk*

Tisbury October 13 – 1813

At a leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Agreable to Venira from the Court of Pleas & Sessions to be holden at Ed-

gartown on the First monday In November the following Persons were Drawn to Serve as Travers Juriors at said Court

Warren Luce
Jethro Hilmon
Peter Norton
Presbury Norton

WILLIAM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury. Duly Warned and held at Holmes hole In Said Town on monday 14th of Febuary A D 1814 for the purpose of petitioning to Congress to have Imbargo Law molified so far as It respects this Island

1st Vot John Hancock Moderator

2d Vot that they petition Congress to molify sd Embargo Law

Vot Peter West Thomas Dunham & Seth Daggett as a Comittee to droy a petition. Meeting Ajorned one hour — the petition presented & Read thrue Voted Unanimously that the petition now read and presented to the Meeting, be Transmited to the Hon John Reed our Representative in Congress Vot that the Town Clerk Transmit the Same to Hon. John Reed our Representative In Congress Voted that Peter West Edmund Cottle & Richard Luce be a Committee to Treat with the other Town In this County & present them with a Coppy of Said petition For their Consideration

Attest WILLIAM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

Be it remembered that on the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certificate In the following words We Certify that Edmund Cottle Doth belong to the First Baptist Society In Tisbury and that he frequently attends with us at our Stated Meeting for Religious Worship

JOHN DAVIS } *committee*
BENJAMIN DAVIS }
THOMAS CATHCART *Clerk*

Tisbury Feb^r 22 – 1814

Attest W^M DAVIS *T Clerk*

To the Honourable the Senate and House of Representitives of the United States In Congress Assembled We the memorialists petitioners Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury County of Dukes County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the Island of Marthas Vinyard aforesaid are In Consequence of the Embargo Law Restricted to the Vineyard

Sound Bays and Creeks their adjoining In consequence of which our Oil Salt wool and Other domestic Articles and Manufactures are cut off from their usual markit of New York & Connecticut their being no markit within our limmitts In Consequence of which wee your petitioners are Deprived of the Necessaries of life and Employment for our Fisherman and Small Craft wee the Inhabitants aforesaid do petition the legeslature of our Nation that the Embargo law may be so modified that wee can have a communication by water with the State of New York & Connecticut so far as Relates to the Above Articles of Export and to bring back In return Bread Stuff and all the other Articles of Necessity for the use of our Families under such Restrictions and regulations As the Legeslature and presadant of the United States may In their Wisdom direct and your petitioners In Duty bound will Ever pray.

attest WILLIAM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

Voted, that the Town Clerk transmit the Same to John Reed Esq Our Represenative In Congress

attest W^M^ DAVIS) *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. At a meeting legally Held by the Inhabitants of Said Town at the Meeting house in Tisbury – on monday the Fourth Day of April A D 1814 For the Chose of Govner and Lieut. Govrner and Senator, and Votes for the Following Persons were given In Counted Sorted record & Decleration there of Mad Viz

For Samuel Dexter Esqr	88	for govner
For Caleb Strong Esqr	72	
For William Gray Esqr	96	Lieut Govner
For William Phillops Esqr	72	
For Walter Folger Jr	93	Senator
For Albert Gardner	71	

attest W^M^ DAVIS *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a meeting Duly Notified and held at the time and place above mention for the Chose of Town Offerces, as the Law Directs

Vot John Hancock Moderator

Wm Davis Town Clerk Sworn

John Hancock
Jirah Luce } Selectmen and Assessors Sworn
Mathew Merry

Wm Davis Town Treasurer

Joseph Hamett
Jeabez Smith } constables

Richard Luce
Jonathan Luce } Survayors of highways
David Look

Jirah Luce
Timothy Luce } Survayors of Lumber
Sworn Wm harding

Peter Norton
Samuel Look
John Cottle } Fence Viewers
Malica Luce
Josep Allen

John Holmes
Wm Dunham } hog Reeves
John Crosby

William Luce Pound keeper

John Hancock
George Athearn } a Committee to Regulate the Jury Boxes; and also to make Sale of property belonging to porpers of Said Town &c
Ezekiel Luce

Said Meeting Ajorned to the First Monday of May 1814 Town met agreeable to ajornment John Hancock Moderator

1 Voted Two $200. hundred Dollars For Town Schools

2 Voted Five $500. hundred Dollars to Defray Town Expences

school Committes

Samuel Claghorn
Lothrop Merry } holmes hole

Peter Norton Jr
Abijah Gray } N.W. D.

Peter Norton
Joseph Chase } North East Des

Jonathan Lumbert
John Hancock } F South

they then Ajorned to the last monday of May at two of the clock Meet According to Ajornment, and Accepted Jabez Smith. In Stead of Joseph Hamett, Eastern Barish as Collector of taxes.

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 30d 1814

At a meeting Legally held for the purpose of chosing a Represenative on Monday the 2th Day of May 1814 For to Represenate the Said

toun In the General Court to be held at Boston on the last Wednesday In May the Question was Put to Vote whether to Send or not Send, the Vote was not to Send

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a meeting legally warned for the purpose of Drawing Juriors on Monday the 2 Day of May 1814 the Following Persons Drawn According to law as Grand and traves Juriors For the Court of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the Third Tuesday of May Next

Edmund Cottle
Wm Furgason
Elijah Luce
John Baxter
John Holmes
} Grand travis Juriors.

Ebenezer Jones
Peter Norton J^{r}
Abijah Gray
Benjam Athearn
} Travis Juriors

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A meeting leagally warn on 19th of September A D 1814 by Virtue of Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be holden at Barnstable on the Fourth Tuesday of Sept Next the following persons were Drawn

Viz Joseph Hamett } Grand & Travis
Phllop Luce } Travis Jurior

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a meeting legaly warned & held at Holmes hole In Tisbury on the 7 Day of November 1814 the Following Votes were Given In for A Representative In the Congress of the United States; for the Barnstable District, to wit

For Joseph Dimock 27 twenty Seven
For John Reed 21 twenty-one

Tisbury November 7th 1814

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury Agreable to Venira from the Curcuit Court of Common Pleas to be holden At Edgartown on the Second Monday of November Next the Following persons were Drawn to Serve As travers Juriors at sd Court

Viz John Davis Jr
Zachariah Smith
Timothy Athearn
Lothrop Merry
} Travers Juriors

Tisbury November 7th 1814

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting held At the time & place Above Mentioned for the purpose of chusing A Selectman In the room of John Hancock Removed Secondly to Chuse a town Agent to answer to an Inditement Against our S'd Town found by the Grand Jurors of the County of Dukes County at last may term for not keeping the public road in lawful Repair that lead from lumberts Cove to Tisburys Meeting house and Also to Chuse an Agent In Behalf of Said town to answer to the Petition of Abijah Hamett & Samuel Hancock In behalf of our Sd town Said Petitioners have petitioned that the public road that lead from Lamberts Cove to Tisbury be stopt'd by Gaits & Bars &c

Voted Peter West Moderator of Sd Meeting

Sec Vot; Barnid Luce Selectman In the Rom of John Hancock

Voted Peter Norton Agent, In Defence of Indictment

Voted Jeremiah Mantor Agent In Defence of having the public Road Stoped by Gaits and Bars

It was the Vote of the town not to have the way that Leads by Abijah Hametts Stoped by Gaits an Bars;

Tisbury november 7th 1814

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Be It Rememered on the Day of the Date hereof I was Served with a Certificate In the following words We Certfy that Aaron Look & John Look of the Town of Tisbury Is members of the Religious Society In the Town of Chilmark Called the Congregation Union Society Dated this 10th Day of November A D 1814

Norton Bassett
Jeremiah Pease
} *Committee*

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss By Virtue of A Petition of Ten freeholders Inhabitants of Tisbury A meeting was warned to be holden on Monday the 12 Day of Deacember at 12 of the Clock In the western Meeting house to Act on the Following Articles Viz First to Chuse A Moderator 2d to See what Measures the Town Shall Adopt. Respecting the poor of said Town

3d to Chuse A Committee to Examen town accounts & to make Sale of property Belonging to paupers and to Act on others matters & things Proper to be Done at Said Meeting

First Voted Ezekial Luce Moderator

2d Voted John Gray & Elijah Hillman Assistant overseers

3d Voted Francis Norton Elijah Hillman & Jeremiah Mantor, As Committee to Examin Town Accounts And Also to make Sale of propperty belonging to paupers of Said Town & make Returns of their Doings to the Next Anual Meeting

attest Wm. Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Deacember 12th A D 1814

Be It rememered on the Day of the Date I was Sarved with a Certificate In the following words We the Subscribers Committee of the Baptist Society Do Certify that Shubel Merry of Tisbury Doth belong to Said Society and that he Attends with us in our Stated Meetings for Religious Worship Dated October 17th 1814

John Davis } *Committee*
Benjamin Davis }

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

We Certify that James Rogges of the Town of Tisbury Is A Member of the Religious Society In the town of Chilmark Called the Congregtion Union Society Dated this 10th Day of November A D 1814

Jeremiah Pease } *Committee*
Norton Bassett }

Entered this 15th Day of March A D 1815

Attest Wm. Davis *Town Clerke*

Tisbury ss, At A legal meeting Duly Notified for the Purpose of Chusing All such Town Officers as are required by Law In the Eastern Parrish on monday the 20th of March A D 1815, And also to take Into Consideration the Expedience of Building a house to Accomadate the poor of Sd Town

First Voted by ballot Thomas Dunham Moderator

2d Wm Davis Town Clerk sworn

3d Vot Abijah Hamett
Mathew Merry } Selectmen & Over Sears of Poor Sworn
Jirah Luce

4d Vot Wm Davis Town Treasurer

5 Vot John Cottle Constable West parrish

Vot Prience Rogges Jonathan Luce & Lot Luce Jonathan Lumbert Serveyors of highway

Voted Tristram Weeks Jirah Luce Barzila Luce Do of Lumber

Vote Joseph Allen Shubal Dunham Malica Luce Abijah Athearn Fence Veyors

Voted Thomas Cathcart Thomas Mantor Lot Luce Zenus Dillingham Isaac Luce Josep Look Tythingman

Voted Zenas Dillingham Malica Luce Robert Look hog Reefs

Vot. Wm Luce pound keeper

Vot to build a house for the Poor

Vot Ezekiel Luce Jonathan Lumbert Peter Norton Jr Wm Furgeson Peter Norton Jabez Smith, Thomas Mantor Warren Luce School Committee, For the Several Districts

Vot Samuel Claghorn Committee on Accounts
J. Mantor

Vot that the Select men Insert In the Warrent a Committe & board of health to be Chosen at the Ajornment Meeting Ajorned to the first monday of april 2 O Cloch p m

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

The town Meet According to Ajornment on monday the Third Day of April at 2 o clock p m and acted on the Following Artiles to Wit John Davis Moderator

1 Voted Five Hundred Dollars to Defray town Expences & Support the Poor of sd Town

2d Vot Twoo hundred Dollars For Town Schools

3d Reconsidered the vote to build a house for the Poor

4 Voted Elijah Hilman Francis Norton and Samuel Claghorn, A Committee to Sell the Property of Town paupers real or Personal by Deed or otherwise to the best Advantage of sd Town

5 Voted Peter Norton Shubal Dunham & Elijah Hilman a committee to Defend or commence all Sutes of Law whatever for or against Said town

6 Voted Elijah Hilman Peter West George Athearn Esqr Wm Daggett & Shubal Dunham As a Bord of health & als to Call In a phisesian if Nessary Sd Meeting ajourned to 12th of Sd Month

Wm Davis *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A legal Meeting held by the Inhabitants of Said town at the Meeting house In holmes hole on Monday the third Day of April A D 1815 For the Chose of Govner Lieut Govner and Senator and Votes for the Following Persons were given In Counted Sorted Record and Declaration thereof Made Viz

	Govner	
For	Samuel Dexter Eighty Seven	87
	Caleb Strong Thirty nine	39
	Wm Phillops two	2
	Lieut Gov	
For	Wm Gray. Eghty Six	86
	Wm Phillops, Thirty Nine	39
	Walter Folger Jr one	1
	Samuel Dexter one	1
	Senator	
For	Walter Folger Jr. Eighty three	83
	Josiah Barker thirty Seven	37
	Wm Gray one	1

Attes Wm Davis *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A meeting leagal holder on Monday the third Day of April A D 1815 Meeting house In holmes hole For the purpose of Giving In their Votes for A County Treasurer

Voted John Davis Esqr Moderator

Voted For	County Treasurer	
	Thomas Jerngan Thirty one	31
	John Hancock Sixty Four	64

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Meet According to Ajornment of our Annual meeting on whensday 12th of April 1815

Voted Francis Norton Moderator

2d Vot John Cottle Constable & Collector

3d Vote James Cottle Collector of Taxes (sworn) Eastern Parrish

4 Vot Lot Luce, Isaac Luce, Zachariah Smith, Charles Look and Jeremiah Mantor Tythingman) and Sworn

5 Voted Barnid Luce, Joseph Allen, Shubal Dunham Malica Luce Mathew Manter (Fence Vewers)

6 Oliver Crosby Whitten Manter Barnid Luce David Smith hog reefs

7 Vot Ezekiel Luce Jonathan Lumbert Peter Norton Jr Wm Furgeson Peter Norton Jabez Smith Thomas Mantor Warren Luce Zachariah Smith School Comittees Said Meeting Ajorned to the first Monday of May Next at 2 of the Clock p m

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Meet According to Ajorment of Our Annual Meeting on monday 1st of May A D 1815

Francis Norton Moderator

1d Reconsidered the Vote of John Cottle as Constable

2d Voted Malica Luce Constabe & Collector sworn

3d Joseph Chase Fence Vewers sworn

on the day of the Date I was Served with a Certifacate in the following word to Wit We Certify that John Crosby of the town of Tisbury is a member of the Religous Society in the Town of Tisbury Called, Baptist, Febuary 22th 1816

John Davis } *Committe*
Benjamin Davis }

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. At A meeting leagal held for the purpose of Chusing A Repyesenative on Monday the 1 Day of May A D 1815. for to represent the Said Town In the General Court to be held at Boston on the last Wensday of May

After Due Consideration, the Vote was not to Send a Represenative the presant year

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury held on Tuesday the 9th 1815 Agreable to Venira from the Curcuit Court of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May A D 1815 the Following Persons wore Drawn According to law to Serve as Grand Jurers & Jurers on Trial Viz

Barzillia Luce
Ezekiel Luce
Tristraim Weeks } Grand Jurers
John Crosby
Jonathan Athearn Jr

Prince Rogges
John Lumbert
Zenus Dillingham } Jurers on Trials
David Smith

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss: At a leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury Holden in the Eastern parish on monday the 18th Day of September A D 1815 for the purpose of Chusing A Select man. In the Sted of Mr Jirah Luce Resigned

First Voted Thomas Dunham Moderator
Second Voted Silas West Select man,

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal Meeting warned & held on Monday 18th Day of September A D 1815 by Virtue of a Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be Holden at Barnstable on the Fourth Tuesday of this presant Month the Following persons were Drawn

Viz David Smith Jr) Juror on Trials
Hovey Luce) Grand & Traves Juror

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerke*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting warned & held on Thersday the 26th Day of October A D 1815 by Virtue of a Venira from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be held at Edgartown on the Second monday of November Nex insuing, the Following Persons were Drawn to Serve as Jurors on Trials Viz

Jonathan Athearn
Wm Merry } Jurors on Trials
Wm Look
Shubal Luce

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Be it remembered that on the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certificate in the following words Viz We Certify that Noah Waldron of the town of Tisbury is a member of the Religous Society in the Town of Tisbury Called Baptist

John Davis } *Committee*
Benjamin Davis }

Tisbury Febr 25th 1816
Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Be it remembered that on the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certifacate in the following words Viz We Certify that Warren Cleveland of the town of Tisbury is a member of the Religous Society in the town of Tisbury called baptist Dated this 8th Day of March A D 1816

John Davis } *Committee*
Benjamin Davis }

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury, Holden on Monday the 18 Day of March A D 1816 for the purpose of Chusing all Such Town Officers as is by Law Required 2d to raise a Sum of Money to Support the poor and other Insidential Charges & also a Sum for public Schools for the Currant year & Chuse an Agent of the Town See Cause & otherwise some persons to hire a house for the poor of Sd Town

first Voted Jabez Luce Moderator of Sd Meeting
Voted Wm Davis Town Clerk sworn
Vote { Abijah Hammitt, Matthew Merry, Lothrop Merry } sworn Selectmen sworn
Vot Wm Davis Town Treasurer
Vot Abijah Athearn Constable
Vot Edmund Clowell Collector sworn
Vot { Robert Look, Jonathan Luce 2d, Samuel Claghorn } sworn Survayors of highways
Vot { Tristraim Weeks, Timothy Luce Jr } Survayors of Lumber

Vot Barnard Luce) sworn
Sworn Malica Luce } Fence Vewers
Lot Luce Sworn

John Crosby
Jonathan Mantor sworn } hog Reefs
Partlett Pease

Vot Wm Luce pound keeper sworn

Vot Elijah Hilman Shubal Dunham Wm Daggett Jeremiah Mantor George Athearn Health Committee

Voted, the Sum of Two Hundred and Seventy five $275 Dollars to pay Mr John Hancock and to be Assesed in a Seperate bill for his use

Votd the Sum of Eight Hundred Dollars to Defray $800 Town Expencis & Support the poor of Sd Town

$\frac{\$200}{1275.}$ Votd the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars for public Schools

Vot. the Select men to hire a house for the poor of Sd Town

Said Meeting Ajorned to the first Monday of april at 3 oclock p m

Attest W^{M} Davis *Town Clerk*

On the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certificate In the following words, We Certify that Benjamin Athearn of the Town of Tisbury is a member of the Religous Society in the town of Tisbury Called Baptist

Dated this 22th Day of March A D 1816

John Davis } *Committee*
Benjamin Davis

Attest W^{M} Davis *Town Clerk*

On the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certifacate in following words. We Certify that Benjamin Rogges of the Town of Tisbury is A member of the Religous Society in the Town of Tisbury Called Baptist

John Davis *Committee*
March 22th A D 1816 Benjamin Davis *of Said Society*
attest William Davis *Town Clerke*

On the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certificate in the follow words We Certify that Francis Norton of the Town of Tisbury is a member of the Religous Society in the Town of Tisbury Called Baptist

Dated at Tisbury this 27th Day of March A D 1816

Signed John Davis } *Committee*
Benjamin Davis

Attest W^{M} Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden in the western Parrish on Monday the first Day of april A D 1816 For the Chose of Govner Lieut Govner & Senator and Also County Regester & County Treasurer, Votes for the following persons: were Given In Counted Sorted Recorded & Decleration thereof Made Viz

For Govner	Hon Samuel Dexter	Sixty Three	63
	Gen John Brooks	Fifty Five	55
Lieut Gov	Hon Wm King	Sixty Five	65
	Hon Wm Phillops	Fifty Four	54
	Solomon Freeman Esqr	Sixty-one	
Senator	Thaddeus Coffin Esqr	Fifty-two	

At the Chose of County Regestor & County Treasurer

Voted Jabez Luce Moderator in Said Chose & Vote were Givin In for the following persons Viz

County Reggester) Samuel Smith Sixty Four 64
County Treasurer) Thomas Jernegan 42 forty two

Attest W^{M} Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Met According to our ajorment of our Anual Meeting (Moderator present) at 3 oclock p. M.

the town Accept of Wm Lumbert as Constable In the Room & Stead of Abijah Athearn Chose as Constable

Vote	John Cottle	Fence Vewers
	Joseph Allen	Sworn
	John Gray	School Committee
	Peter Norton	
Vot	Elijah Hilman	
E parish	John Holmes	School Committe
Voted	Jonathan Lumbert	School Committee
	Barnid Luce	
	Thomas Butler	
Vot	Jabez Smith	School Committe
	Matthew Merry	

Voted Jeremiah Mantor & Wm Davis Town Agents to Defend all Sutes at Law or Commence any Sutes in behalf of Said Town in any Court of Lay proper to Determine the Same

Voted Ezekiel Luce
Elijah Hilman } Committee on Accounts
Thomas Dunham

Voted Timothy Luce Jr constable sworn
Voted Jonathan Mantor Survayor of high ways
Tisbury April 1th 1816

Attest W^M^ Davis *Town Cherk*

On the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certifacate in the following words. We Certify that Jonathan Look & Seth Look of the town of Tisbury Is members of the Religious Society in the town of Tisbury Called the Congregation Union Society Dated this 22th Day of April A D 1816

Signed Timothy Luce
Stephen Luce *Committee*

attest W^M^ Davis *Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday the Thirteenth Day of May 1 O Clock P. M for the purpose of Chusing a Representative to Represent them at the General Court appointed to be holden at Boston on the last monday of May Voted Unamamous not to Send a Representive the Currant Year

Attest W^M^ Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday the 18th Day of May A D 1816 Agreeable to Venira from the Circuit Court of Common please to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May 1816 the following persons were Drawn According to Law to serve as Grand Jurors & Jurors on Trials Viz

Abijah Athern	Grand Jurors
Mathew Luce	
David Look	
Freeman Gray	
Benjamin Coffin	
Williard Luce	Jurors on Trials
Isaac Luce	
Thomas Mantor	
Timothy Chase Jr	

Tisbury ss At A leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants Aforesaid warned of Monday the 23 Day of September A. D. 1816 by Virtue of a Venira

from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be holden at Barnstable on the fourth Tuesday of September Next And the following persons were Drawn Viz Wm Dunham Grand and Travis. Wm Harding Travis Juror

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting warned and held at Tisbury on Monday the 28 day of october for the following purposes 1d to Chuse a Moderator 2d to Lay before the town a List of Persons for their Inspection for Jurors at Barnstable & Edgarton whether the town will accept them or not 3d to See what method the town will adopt Respecting Negro Pomps Support Whether the town will Chuse an Agent and prosicute the Estate of Samuel Cob or Received him as a town pauper

1d Voted Jabez Luce Moderator

2d Vote, The Sd List of Jurors Laid before the Town to be put in the Boxes

Tisbury ss at the Time above mentioned by Virtue of Vanira from the Clerk of our Circuit Court of Commonpleeas to be holden at Edgartown on the Second Monday of November Next Insuing and the following persons were Drawn out of the box as the Law Directs Viz.

Jethro Hillman
Mathew Lumbert
Jonathan Lumbert
Peter Norton 3d
} Travis Jurors on Trial

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on monday the 4 of November 1816 for the purpose of Giving in their Votes for A Representative of the people of Said Commonwealth in the first Southern District in the Congress of the United States, & Votes for the following persons were Given In Sorted Counted & Decleration thereof made Viz

For	Hon John Reed	Eight	8
	Hon Walter Folger Jr	Eleven	11

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday the 27 Day of January A D 1817 for the purpose of Givin in there Votes for a Representative of the people of Sd Commonwealth in the Barnstable District in the Congress of the United

States, & Votes for the following persons were Given In Sorted, Counted & Declaration thereof made Viz

For { Hon. Thadeus Coffin Seven 7
Hon. Walter Folger Jr Five 5 }

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury, ss. At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden in the Eastern parish on Monday the 17 Day of March 1817 for the purpose of Chusing all Such Town Offerces As is by Law Required and to take into Consideration the Mode that Shall be for the Support of Negro Pomp and also to take the Vote of the town whether the town Meetings Shall be holden in the Eastern parrish Every year after this Date and Also to Rais a Som of Money to Defray town Expences & public schools

1^d^ Voted John Davis Esqr Moderator

2^d^ Voted Wm Davis Town Clerk

3^d^ Voted Silas West, Jabez Smith, David Look } Select men

4^d^ Voted Wm Davis Town Treasurer

5^d^ Voted the Treasurer to Call up to Settlement all Delinquit Collectors

6^d^ Voted Richard Luce Constable sworn would not Accept

7^d^ Voted Jonathan Luce Jr Constable sworn & Collector E. p.

8^d^ Voted John Davis Jr Constable & Collector W. P.

Voted Jonathan Mantor Jr, Elijah Hillman, Malachi Luce, Jeremiah Mantor } Survayers of high ways

Voted Barzilia Luce, Sworn Tristraim Weeks, Wm Harding } Survayers of Lumber

Voted Malachi Luce, Samuel Look, Lot Luce, Abijah Hammett, Francis Norton, Abijah Gray } Fence Vewers

Voted Jeremiah Mantor
Malichi Luce
Barzilia Luce
Lot Luce
} hog reeves

Voted Elijah Hillman Shubal Dunham George Athearn Wm Daggett Peter West Peter Norton & Francis Norton a health Committee

the Vote was taken wheather to hold the Meetings in the Eastern parrish all the time or not and was not a Vote

Meeting Ajorned to the first monday in April at 3d p m

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Meet According to Ajornment Moderator presant

1d Voted & Reconsiderated John Davis Jr being Constable

2d Voted John Crosby Constable & Collector, sworn

Voted the Sum of Eight Hundred Dollars for Support of the poor

Voted the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars for town Schools

Vote the Select men to hire a house for the poor or not as they think propper

Voted Jeremiah Mantor Thomas Dunham & Peter Norton agents to Supreintend the planes (So Called) or Sile them

Voted James Cottle Selectman in Rom of Silas west sworn

Voted Peter Norton Thomas Dunham & Belcher Athearn Committee on Accounts & to Settle with the Town Treasuer and Report at the Representative Meeting

Voted Edmund Crowell John Holmes school Committee

Voted Malichi Luce Jabez Smith school Committee

Vote Jonathan Lumbert & Abijah Hammett Do

Voted Stephen Luce Freeman Gray school Committee

Voted the Sum of one hundred Dolars for Insidental Charges

Voted Wm Cottle Peter West Wm Downs Isaac Luce Jeremiah Mantor David Look Abijah Gray and Malichi Luce Tythingman

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qalified by the Constitution to Vote for Governor & Lieutenant Governor & Senator — Holden in the Eastern parrish of Sd Town on Monday the Seventh Day of April A D 1817 for the purpose of Givin in their Votes for Governor Lieut Governor Senator & County Treasurer & Votes were Given in for the following persons Counted Sorted and Declaration Thereof made Viz

	Governor		
For)	Henery Dearborn	Forty Three	43
	John Brooks	Thirty Four	34
	Lieut Governor		
For	William King	Forty Two	42
	William Phillips Jr	Thirty four	34
	Senator		
For)	Solomon Freeman	Forty Four	44
)	Thaddeus Coffin	Thirty One	31
	County Treasurer		
For)	Wm Jernegan Jr Esqr 39 Votes		

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Be it rememered that on the Day of the Date I was Served with a Certificate in Following words We the Subscribers Certify that Mayhew Norton Presbury Norton & Peter Norton Jr of the Town of Tisbury is Members of the Religious Society in the town of Tisbury Called Baptist

John Davis } *Committee*
Benjamin Davis }

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*
Tisbury April 20th 1817

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Thursday the first Day of May A D 1817 In the Eastern parish for the purpose of Given in theire Votes for A Representative of the people of Said Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States of America; for the Barnstable District & Votes for the following persons were Given In Sorted Counted & Declaration there of Made Viz

For	Hon Walter Folger Jr	Thirty Six	36
	Hon John Reed	Twelve	12

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting warned & hild in the Eastern parish on Thirsday the first Day of May 1817 to take the mind of the people whether they will send a representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth and the Vote was not to Send

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 1st 1817

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday the 5th Day of May A D 1817 Agreable to Venira from the Clerk of the Curcuit Court of Commonpleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May A D 1817 the following persons were down out of the Box According to Law to Sirve as Grand & Travis Jerers

Viz Athern Mantor
Eddy Luce
Lot Luce
Jeremiah Mantor
Benjamin Raynold
} Grand Jurors

Matthew Merry
Nathan Smith
Jabez Luce
Edmund Crowell
} Jurors on Trials

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden on Wensday the 25 day of June in the Eastern parrish to Act on the following articles to wit

1d to Chuse a Moderator 2d to chuse a town agent to defend aney Suits at Law that may be pending against Sd town in respecting town paupers

3d to See if the town will adopt some method to regulate the herring & other fisheries within Sd town 1d Voted Thomas Duham Moderator 2d Voted Thomas Dunham agent 3d Voted a Committee to Draft a Mamorial to Lay befor our Legeslator respecting the herring fisherring; Voted Thomas Dunham Thomas Butler & Jabez Smith a Committee to Draft a peetition & Lay it before the town Voted the Selectmen to prosecute any person that Obstruct the herring fishing by Saine otherwise.

Meeting ajorned to the 3 Monday of July at 4 of the Clock

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss. At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants holden In the Eastern parish in Tisbury on the 25 Day of June 1817 at 3 oclock p m. to act on the following Articles Viz To chuse a Moderator 2d T chuse a town agent to defend any suits at Law that are now or May be bending against Sd town in regard to maintaining town paupers 3d to See if the

town will adopt some method to regulate the herring & other fisheries within Sd town

1d Voted Thomas Dunham Moderator

2d Vote Thomas Dunham

Voted a committee to Draft A Mamoriel to Our Legislator respecting the herring fisheries Voted Thomas Dunham Thomas Butler & Jabez Smith a committee to draft a petition & Lay it before the Town Voted the Selectmen to prosecute Aney Person that Obstructs the herring fishing by Sane or otherwise this Meeting ajorned to the 3 Monday of July at 4 of the Clock p m.

Meet According to Ajornment the report of the Committee Accepted Voted that the Town Clerk Sind the report & papers to the Senater of the District to be by him Laid before the General Court at their next Session Meeting Ajorned to the first Monday in September at 3 p m Thomas Dunham Clerk pro tem July 21st 1817

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden in the Eastern parish on the 21 Day of July A D 1817 to Chuse a Constable & Collector in the western parish in the stead of Mr John Crosby removed

Voted Freeman Gray Constable Meeting adjorned to the 24th Meet According to adjornment Voted Jabez Luce Constable in the Stead & room of Freeman Gray

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden on the 10 Day of September 1817 in the Eastern parish 1d to Chuse a Moderator 2d to See if the town will choose an agent to defend a suit at law now depending between the town of Tisbury & John Hancock Esqr of Chilmark or point out Some other way to Settle the Same

Voted Wm Davis & Jeremiah Mantor Committee to Settle with Mr John Hancock & See what is Due him. Meeting Adjorned to the 24 of Sd month

Meet According to Adjornment & the Committee reported that the ballance Due from Sd town to John Hancock for All Accounts & money hired to be one Hundred & thirty four Dollars fifty Cents which Sum of

Money the S^d Hancock refuses to Accept of, but Demands, Twenty Six Dollars more which Sum he has paid for a Law suit that has been commenced for the Above Sum & the Expense of Sd writ & Service $4–50 cent more Voted that the Committee Settle with Mr John Hancock the Above Sum of one Hundred & thirty foure Dollars & fifty Cents & the Charges Above mentioned

Voted the Selectmen to Draft an Order on the town on Intrest to pay Mr John Hancock his Demands

Sept 24th 1817

Attest W^M Davis *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants holden of the 24 of September of the town of Tisbury for the Chose of Jurors by Virtue of A Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be holden at barnstable on the fourth Tuesday of September Next and the following persons were drawn Viz Oliver Crosby Grand Juror & Thomas Cathcart Travis Juror

September 24th 1817

Attest W^M Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury by Virtue of Venira from the Clerk of Our circut of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the Second Monday of November Next Insuing and the following persons were Drawn out of the box as the Law Directs Viz

William Lumbert
Joseph Allen
Timothy Luce Jr
Whitten Mantor
} Travis Jurors on Trials

the above Meeting was holden on the 19 of October A D 1817

attest W^M Davis *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden in the eastern parish 13th Day of Deacember 1817 for the purpose of Chusing a Constable & Collector in the place of Jonathan Luce Jr

Voted David Look Moderator

Voted the Meeting be Disolved without Day

Attest Dec^m 13th 1817

W^M Davis *Town Clerk*

At Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for the purpose of Chus all such Officers as the Law reqired and also to raise a Sum of money for Town School & Support the poor & other Insitential Charges holden in the western parish on Monday the 23d Day of March 1818 at 2 Oclock P. M

1d Voted John Davis Esqr Moderator

2d Votd Wm Davis Town Clerk sworn

3d Vote George Athearn, Jabez Smith, Elijah Hillman } Selectmen

Voted Peter Norton, Bearned Luce, Elijah Hillman, Thomas Dunham, John Davis Esqr } overseers of Poor

4d Voted Jonathan Luce Jr Constable sworn

Nathan Smith Constable & Collector sworn

Vote John Cottle David Look, Oliver Crosby } Survayers of highways

Voted Thomas Dunham Town Treasurer sworn

Voted Thomas Mantor, Wm Cottle, Wm Downs, Clemant Vincent, Jabez Luce, John Cottle, James West } tythingmen

Voted Elijah Hillman, Shubal Dunham, Wm Daggett, George Athearn, Wm Cottle } health Committee

Vote Bartlett Pease Lot Luce Jonathan Mantor Willard Luce) hog reeifs

Vote Nathan Smith Lot Luce) Survayer wood

Voted James Cottle Timothy Luce Jr & Shubal Luce Survay of Lumber

Voted Lot Luce Malachi Luce & Jonathan Lumbert | Fence Vewers

Voted the Town Clerk to Sarch & take into poseston the town rec-

ords, the Book now in posestion of the proprietors Clerk Viz George Athearn

Sd Meeting Ajorned to Monday 6th Day of April 1818 at 2 p m Met According to ajornment Moderator presant

Voted John Cottle Collector of Taxes) would not Serve

Voted Elijah Hillman | Town Agent

Votd the Sum of Seven Hundred Dollars) Support of the Poor

Voted the Sum of two Hundred Dollars | to pay Debts previous to 1818

Voted the Sum of one Hundred Dollars (for Insidential Charges of sd Town

Voted to Assess the Money for the poor in a Seperate bill

Voted Jonathan Mantor Jr Timothy Luce Jr (school Committee

Voted Abijah Hammitt David Look (school Committee

Voted John Cottle Peter Norton (school Committee

Voted Peter Norton Freeman Gray (school Committee

Voted Elijah Hillman Peter Norton Belcher Athearn) Committe to Settle with the Treasurer

Meeting Ajorned to the Representative Meeting in May 4th 1818

Meet according to ajornment George Athearn Esqr Moderator

Vote Bartlet Pease Constable & Collector ajorn to 11th Instat

Met on the 11th In and Reconsidered the Vote of Bartlet Pease as Constable & Collector

Voted Peter norton Jr Constable & collector Meeting ajorned to 25th Int

Met according to ajornment Jabez Luce Moderator & Voted. Williard Luce in the rom & tead of Peter norton Jr as constable & collector for the currant year May 25th 1818

W^M^ Davis *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qalified by the Constitution to Vote for Govner & Lieutenant Govner & Senator of this Commonwealth Holden in the western parish of Sid Town on Monday the 6 Day of April A D 1818 for the purpose of Giving their Votes for Govner Lieut-Govner Senator & County Treasurer & Vote were Given in for the following persons Counted Sorted & Decleration thereof Made. Viz

For Govner	Hon. Benjamin W. Crowninshield	48
	Hon John Brooks	32
For Senator	Hon. Soloman Freeman	49
	Hon. Thaddues Coffin	32

Votes for County Treasurer John Davis Moderator were as follow Viz for Wm Jernegan Esqr 44

Tisbury April 6th 1818 attest Wm Davis) *Town Clerk*

For Lieut Govner	Hon Thomas Kitteridge	48
	Hon Wm Phillops	32

Tisbury April 6th 1818 attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting warned & held in the western parish on Monday the fourth of May A D 1818 to Give in there Votes for a representative to the General Court of this commonwealth to be Convened at Boston on Wensday the twenty seventh of May | and the Vote was not to Send a representative

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 4th 1818

N B Voted to pospone the papers on the herring fishery

Tisbury ss At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden on Monday the 4th Day of May A D 1818 Agreeable to Venira from the Clerk of the Circuit court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May A D 1818 and the following Persons were Drawn Out of the Box according to Law to Serve as Grand & Travis Jurors Viz

Charles Look	Grand Jurors
Jacob Clifford	
Seth Allen	
Zachariah Smith	
Joseph Look Jr	
Elijah Luce	Travis Jurors on Trials
Benjamin Lumbert	
Abijah Hammett	
James Rogges	

Tisbury May 4th 1818 Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

On the Day of the Date I was Served with an Agreement in the following words. Viz Know all men by these presance that we Elijah Athearn and Soloman Athearn are free and willing that our Sister Joice Allens. (Daughter Lucy allen) Should have a Support out of the Estate as she has had for these twenty years During her Natureal Life as witness our hands this Nineteenth Day of June in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & Seventeen

Witness Signed by ELIJAH ATHEARN
JOHN DAVIS SOLOMAN ATHEARN
Attest W^{M} DAVIS *Town Clerk*
Tisbury July 17th 1818

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday, the 2 Day of November A D 1818 for the purpose of Giving in their Votes for a representative of the people of this Commonwealth for the Barnstable District in the Congress of the United States & Votes for the following persons were given in Sorted Counted & Declaration thereof Made Viz

For Hon John Reed Eight 8
Hon Walter Folger Jr. Seven 7
attest W^{M} DAVIS *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury by Virtue of a Venira from the Clerk of Our Curcuit Court of Commonpleas to be holden at Edgartown on the Second Monday of November A D 1818 and the following persons were Drawn out of the box to Serve as Jurors on Trial as the Law Directs Viz

Prince Rogges
Stephen Luce
Jabez Smith
Lothrop Merry
} Jurors on Trials

the above Meeting was holden on Monday the 2th of November A D 1818

Attest W^{M} DAVIS *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss Pursuant to a Petition of ten of the freeholders of Sd Town a meeting warned and held at the western Parish on Monday the 18th of January 1819 for the following purposes

to Wit 1st to Chuse a moderator

2d to Vote whether they will apropriate the Sum of two hundred Dollars of the money raised the presant year for the Support of Publick schools as set forth in Said petion

Meet According to warrant & Voted Daid Look Moderator 2d Voted the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars to be apropriated for publick schools. Out of the Money that was raised for the towns use the presant year

Tisbury January 18th 1819

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

At a meeting Leagally Holden on Monday the 5 Day of April A D 1819 for the purpose of giving there Votes for a county Treasurer and Votes for the following Person were Givin in Counted Sorted & Declaration thereof made Viz

Votd Elijah Hillman Moderator

Votes for William Jernegan Esquire 20 for Treasurer

A D 1819 attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury Qalified by the Constitution to Vote for Governer Lieut. & Senator of the Commonwealth Holden in the Eastern Paris of Sd town on Monday the 5 Day of April A D 1819 for the purpose of Givin there Votes for Governor Lieut Govenor & Senator & Votes were given in for the following persons Counted Sorted & Decleration thereof made Viz

Governour		
For Hon. Benjamin W Crowinshield	Sixty Seven	67
Hon. John Brooks	Twenty Two	22
Lieutenant Governour		
For Hon Benjamin Austen	Sixty nine	69
Hon Wm Phillips	nineteen	19
John Brooks	one	1
Soloman Freeman	two	2
Benjamin W Crowingshield		1
Senator		
For Soloman Freeman	Sixty Six	66
Thaddeus Coffin	Eighteen.	18
Benjamin Austin	One	1
John Books	One	1

Tisbury ss At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden in the Eastern parrish on Monday the 5 Day of April A D 1819 for the purpose of Chusing all Such Town officers as the Law Directs and Also to rase a Sum of Money for the Support of the poor of Sd Town and publick school and other Insitential Charges

1d Voted Elijah Hillman Moderator

2d Do Wm Davis Town Clerk sworn

3d Voted sworn Wm Cottle
Jabez Smith
Elijah Hillman } Selectmen & Assessors
sworn Jabez Luce
sworn Bearned Luce

Voted to allow the town Treasurer 1½ pr Cent all moneys by him recd

Voted Thomas Dunham Town Treasurer | sworn

Voted Timothy Chase & John Cottle Constable & Collector of Tax

Voted Wm Duham (sworn & Peter norton 3d Constables

Voted Lot Luce Samuel Look Willard Luce & Prince Rogges Survayer of highway

Voted James Cottle Timothy Luce Wm harding Tristram Weeks Shubal Luce | Survayers of Lumber

Voted Malachi Luce Jolathan Lumbert Nathan Smith Abijah Gray Charles Look Elijah Luce Fence viewers

Voted Richard Luce Thos Dunham Jonathan Manter Benjamin Dexter Jethro Hillman | hog reeves

Votd Wm Cottle Wm Downs Mathew Merry Jabez Smith Peter Norton Jr Freeman Gray school Committees

Voted Seth × Daggett Abijah Gray Elijah Hillman Zenus Dillingham Wm × Downs James West Isaac Luce Zachariah × Smith David Look Malachi × Luce Thomas Butler Thomas Cathcart Tything men

Voted Wm Cottle Elijah Hillman Shubal Dunham to Settle with the town Treasurer

Voted the Selectmen to post all Druncard who in their opinion are such: and those poeple who Sell Licuor Contra to Law; not to approbate such to have a Lisence

Voted the Selectmen to have the Sole care of the poor of Said town

Voted the Sum of Eight Hundred Dollars to Support the poor of S'd Town and Insidential charges therof

Voted the Sum of Four Hundred Dollars for publick schools two

Hundred to be apropiated for the year 1818 and two Hundred Dollars for the year 1819

Voted Elijah Hillman Town Agent to Defend all Sutes at Law now pending for or against Sd town

Meting ajorned to the 1d Tuesday of May Instant

Met according to ajornment Moderator Presant

1d Voted Williard Luce & Abijah Hammett school Committe S. Dis

2 Do Joseph Chase Fence Vewer the present year

3 Do Williard Luce | Constable for the town of Tisbury the presant year

4 Do Charles Look Survayer of highways in the rom of Sam Look resigned

5d Do to Accept Zenus Dillingham as Collector in the room & Stead of Timothy Chase, Chosen at the annual Meeting

6d Do Shubal Dunham Seth Daggett & Wm Cottle Committe to Settle Town Acconts with the Selecmen of Sd town the year Last past & report to the first Ajornment

7d Do the Selectmen to bind out all paupers that is Sold for one year by Indenture & to receive 50 cents a head for Each one

Meeting ajorned to the 6th of August

Acted at the Ajornment of the 6 of August

4th Voted to Raise the sum of two Hundred Dollars to Meet the demands of the Town of Livermore for the support and Maintainance of the aforesaid Jane Luce

5ly Voted that the Meeting be ajorned to the first Monday in September at 2 o'clock P. M

A true Record Attest Jabez Luce *Clerk Pro. Tem*

Tisbury 6th August 1819 Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Met according to Ajornment Moderator presant Jabez Luce Clerk Protem

Voted that the Land set of to the town of Tisbury by Virtue of a Execution for the Supporting of a Child of Capt Henery Luce Late of Tisbury be Sold to the best Advantage for the town

Voted that Capt Elijah Hillman be an agent to sell the above mentioned property and make good and sufficient warranttee Deed for the same

Voted that Thomas Dunham Esqr Treasurer for the Town of Tisbury or his Successor in that office be impowered to hire the sum of two Hundred Dollars to pay the Demands of the town of Livermore for the maintainance of Jane Luce a Town pauper

Tisbury ss at a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants Holden at Holmes Hole Thursday 22th of april 1819 act on the following Articles Viz 1st to chuse a Moderator

2^{d} to act on the petition of 13 freeholders Viz to See if the Town will pass a Vote against Seining herring any where within the Distance of One & a half miles from the mouth of chopeqanset crick or river also to pas a Vote against Seining Herring in the pond that forms Sd crick or river on pain of Such fines and penalty as the Town Shall think proper and leagal & to adopt any other regulation 3^{d} to See if the town will petition the Legislature of this commonwealth to pass an Act to regulate the herring fishery.

1^{d} Voted Wm Cottle Moderator

2 Voted that no person or persons shall shute a Sein at the mouth of Chopaquanset crick or within the Destance of one & half Miles of the mouth of Sd criek in order to catch herring

3^{d} Voted that no person or persons shall shute a Sein in Sd pond

4th Voted that any person or persons shuting a seine contry to the above regulations Shal forfit & pay a fine of Five Dollars for each ofence Voted Thomas Dunham agent to prosecute for fines and forfetuer

5^{d} Voted that no person catch any herring at Capaqanset crick from Saturday night at Sunset untill monday at Sun rise on fofiture of the above penalty

W^{M} Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Sd town for the purpose of chusing a representative to represent them at the General Court Appointed to be convened and held at Boston on the Last Wednesday of May A D 1819 It was moved & Seconed whether to Send or not Send & the Vote was not to Send a representative the presant year

the Above Meeting was Holden on Tuesday 4th Day of May 1819 in the Eastern parish

attest W^{M} Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legal Meeting warned & held in the Eastern parish on Tuesday the 4 Day of May A D 1819 at four of the Clock in the Afternoon to act on the following Articles Viz

1st to chuse A Moderator

2d to act on the petition of Teen Freeholders praying that a Vote may be taken to petition the General Court to regulate the fisheries in the Town of Tisbury — Also to provide Some means by which the records of the town may be recovered out of the hands of Certain Individuels by whom they are withheald from the use of Sd Town

1st Voted Wm Cottle Moderator of Sd Meting

2 moved & Seconded to petion the Legislature to pas an Act to regulate the fisheries in Sd town but it was not a vote

3d Voted that Wm Davis Town Clerk demand and if nessary prosecute any Individal or individals for the recovery of the town Books and records; that may withhold then & at the Expence of the town

Tisbury May 4th 1819

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Sd Town holden on Wednesday 5th of may 1819 By Virtue of a Venira from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Commonpleas to be held at Edgartown on the 3 monday of may 1819 for five Good & Lawful men to Serve as Grand Jurors & four of Like Quality to Serve as Travis Jurors of Trials at Sd Court and the following Persons were drawn out of the Box as the Law Directs

Viz Seth Daggett
Bernard Luce
Robert Mantor
Jonathan Athearn Jr
Malachi Luce
} Grand Jurors

Bartlet Pease
Thomas Butler
Phillip Luce
Lot Look
} Travis Jurors on Trial

Tisbury May 5th A D 1819

attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Meet according to ajornment Moderator presant

1d Voted the Committe a further time to report their Doings on Settlement with the select Mem for the year 1818

2d Voted the Town Orders Dated prior to the 10th Day of May 1819 be presented to the Treasurer & a note Given for them in behalf of the Town payable on Demand with intrist redeamable in one year from Date

3 ly that the Town Treasurer Notify Holders of Town Orders requesting them to bring them in within 30 Days from such Notice & that no order be funded after such Notice by the Treasurer

4ly that the Treasurer report the amount of orders funded according to the Above Statement at the first town Meeting

5ly Voted that the Selectmen not to Allow any Intrest on Town Orders the present year

Meeting ajorned to the 3 wensday Instant

September 6th 1819 Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Meet according to ajornment and ajourned without Day.

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legal Meeting of the town of Tisbury holden of Whensday the 22 Day of September 1819 by Virtue of a Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court for Barnstable and Dukes County to be holden on the first Tuesday of October Next and the following Persons were Drawn out of the Box according to Sd Venira to Wit Hovey Luce Grand Juror and William Look Travers Juror Wm Davis *Town Clerk of Sd Town*

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of the town of Tisbury holden on Whensday the 27 Day of October 1819 by Virtue of a Venira from the Clerck of the Circuit Court of Common Plees to be holden at Edgartown on the 2d monday of November Instant and the following persons were Drawn out of the Box to Serve at Court as Travis Jurors on Trials

Jonathan Tilton
Richard Luce
Timothy Chase
Abijah Athearn
} Jurors on Trials

Tisbury October 27 A D 1819 Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury by Virtue of a petition of Eleven freeholders holden at the Meeting house in Holmes Hole on Saturday the 29 of January 1820 at one o.clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles Viz

1 to chuse a Moderator 2d to act on the petition above Mentioned Viz to See if the Town will chuse a Committee to confer with the committee of the Town of chilmark to petition the Legislature of this commonwealth to anhiliate one tarm of the Circuit court of common pleas of Dukes and also one Term of the court of Sissions in sd county Meet according to warrant & chose Wm Cottle Moderator & Voted not to act on the petition or warrant & ajorned without Day

January 29th 1820

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified by the Constitution to Vote for Governer Lieut Governer & Senator of this Commonwealth Holden in the western parish in Said parish on Monday the 3 Day of april A D 1820 for the purpose of Giving in their Votes for Governor Lieut Governor and Senator and County Treasurer and Votes were Given in for the following persons counted sorted & Decleration

Viz	for Governor		
Hon	Wm Eustace	Seventy one	71
Hon	John Brook	Thirty three	33
	for Lieut Governor		
Hon	Benjamin Austin	Seventy four	74
Hon	Wm Phillips	Twenty four	24
	for Senator		
Hon	Soloman freeman	Seventy Seven	77

warrant for County Treasurer read & Votes for the following persons

1d Voted John Davis Moderator

For Wm Jernegan Esqr	55
For George Athearn Esqr	5

the following meetings were held on monday 3th of april 1820

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury Holden in the western Parrish on Monday the 3d of April 1820 for the purpose of Chusing all such Town Officers as the Law Directs and Also to rase a Sum of Money for the Support of the poor of sd Town & public schools and other Insidential Charges

1d Voted John Davis Esqr Moderator

2d Voted Wm Davis Town Clerk sworn

3d Do Wm Cottle Matthew Merry & Jabez Luce Selectmen

4th Do Eight Dollars as a compensation for the Town Treasurer the presant year

Voted James Cottle Town Treasure

Voted the Selectmen or assesors to put Every man on oath of his Rattible property

Voted Warren Luce Collector Williard Luce Constable and Alfred Norton Collector of Taxes & Constable

Voted Jonathan Mantor Jr Survayor of highways & Charles Look Barnard Luce David Look Jabez Smith

Voted Subal Dunham Peter Norton & Seth Daggitt as a committee to Settle with the town Treasurer and the Selectmen for the year 1820

Voted Thomas Smith Collector in the stead of Warren Luce Chosen at our Anual meeting

Voted that the town chuse a committee to confer with the committees of the Town of Chilmark & Edgartown to petition the Legislature to annul one turm of the circuit Curts of commonpleas & Court of Sessions

Voted Peter Norton George Athearn a committe to confer with Committe of the town above Mentioned

Voted James Cottle Timothy Luce Jr John Lambert Shubal Luce Survayers of Lumber

Voted John Holmes Elijah Luce Charles Look Malachi Luce & Barnard Luce Stephen Luce fence Vewers

Voted Thomas Smith Isaac Whinslow Charles Look Malachi Luce Barnerd Luce John Cottle Wm Look Jonathan Mantor Jr Athearn Mantor Abijah Luce hog reives

Voted Seth Daggett Thomas Smith Richard Luce health committee

Voted Wm West John Holmes field Drivers

Voted Thomas Smith Seth Daggett Williard Luce Barnerd Luce Belcher Athearn Wm Furgeson Wm Davis John Cottle Peter Norton school committee

Voted Jonathan Mantor pound keeper

Voted Nathan Smith Survayer of wood

Voted to raise the Sum of Six Hundred Dollars to Support the poor of Sd town and the Sum of one Hundred fifty Dollars to pay areage & other Expences of sd town

Voted the Sum of 200$ for the Support of Town schools

Voted the Sum of 250$ to pay up the old Orders

Voted the Town Treasurer to pay up an order in favour of Francis Norton if not money on hand to hire the money to pay the Same

Voted James Cottle Agent for the Town the Currant Year 1820

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

At a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury for the purpose of Chusing a representative to represent them at the General Court appointed to be Convened and held at Boston on the Last Wednesday of May 1820 Said Meeting was held on Monday the 8 day of May A D 1820 and Votes for the following persons were Given Viz

For { Mr Peter Norton | 23 Votes
{ Capt Seth Daggett | 18 Votes

Seth Daggett Saml Daggett Thos Manter be a committee to Give the representitive Instructions in behalf of the pilots to repeal the pilot act

Tisbury May 8th 1820

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury pursuant of a Venira from the Clerk of our Circuit Court of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third monday of May 1820 and the following persons were Drawn out of the Box as the Law Directs Viz

Belcher Athearn
Thomas Waldron
Freeman Gray
Francis Hammett
Edmund Crowell
} Grand Jurors

Job Gorham
Wm West
Benjamin Raynolds
Elijah Luce
} Jurors on Trial

Tisbury May 8th 1820

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Jurors Box renued at the Above Meeting according to Law

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury for the purpose of Chusing a Representative to represent them in General Court to be convened and held at boston on the last Wednesday of May 1820

the Above meeting was holden in the western parish on Monday the Eight day of May at three o clock in the after noon and Votes for the following persons were given in Sorted Counted & Decleration made &

Viz	Peter Norton	23
	Seth Daggett	18

Tisbury April 9.. 1820

W^M^.. Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legal Meeting warned & held at Tisbury on Monday 21st day of august 1820 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon to give in there Votes on the following questions pursuant to a Law of this Commonwealth peassed June 16th 1820 is it expediant that Delegates should be chosen to meet in Convention for the Purpose of Revising or Altering the Constitution of Guvernment of this Commonwealth and the Votes were as follows yeas 20 — Nay 1

Tisbury August 21th.. 1820

W^M^.. Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday the 21th day of august 1820 for the following purpose first to chuse a Moderator 2d to Chuse a committee to Settle accounts with Samuel Nye for keeping Town paupers for the yr 1813 to the yr 1818 inclusive —— 3d to take the Sence of the town of the propriety of Sueing the Town of Taunton for the Sum Due from that Town for the Support of William Deane & family and instruct the town agent Accordingly 4ly to take a Vote to raise money to repair the Highway Voted Peter Norton Moderator 2d Voted James Cottle Matthew Merry Lathrop Merry Committee to Settle accounts with Samuel Nye 3d Voted that the Town Agent Shall commence a Sute against the town of Tanton for the Support of W^m^.. Deane & family as soon as may be, by any Court proper to try the same

4ly Voted the Sum of 150$ to repair the high ways of Sd town

Tisbury August 21st.. 1820

W^M^.. Davis *Town Clerk*

At a legeal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden in the western Parrish of Tisbury on Monday the Sixteenth day of October 1820 at two o clock in the afternoon for the purpose of Chusing or Electing a Delegate to meet Delegates from other Town in Convention

at the state house in Boston on the third Wednesday of November next to take into consideration the propriety and expediency of making any (and if any) what alteration or amendment in the presant Constitution of Goverment of the Commonwealth pursuant to an Act pased the 12 day of September 1820 and Votes for the following persons were given in to Viz

For	Shubal Dunham	16	& is Chosen
	John Davis	9	
	John Gray	1	

Tisbury October 16., 1820

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden in the Eastern Parish on Monday the Sixth day of November 1820 at two o clock in the afternoon to Give in there Votes for a representative of the people of Said Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States for Barnstable District and Votes were Given in for the following persons Viz

For	Walter Folger J^{r} Esqr	17 Votes
	Thomas Dunham	9
	John Reed	2
	Russel Freeman	1
	Thomas M Vincent	1

Tisbury Nov 6., 1820

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss A a Leagal Meeting of the of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden in the East Parish on Monday the 6th day of Novr A D 1820 at 3 oclock P M Pursuant to a resolve of the General Court Passed June 14th 1820 regulating the Choise of Electors for President and Vice president of the United States to give in their Votes for One Electors for Barnstable District and to give in their Votes for two Electors for the people of the Commonwealth at Large; and Votes for the following persons were Given in sorted Counted & Decleration thereof Made

Viz for the District

	Ichabod Norton	19
For	Lemuel Williams Jr	6
	Wendel Davis	3

at Large

B. W. Crownilshield	23
Levi Lincoln	23
John Brooks	2
Wm Phillips	2

Attest Wm Davis
Town Clerk

At a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden in the Eastern parish on Monday the Sixth Day of November A D 1821 by Virtue of a Venira from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Commonpleas to be Holden at Edgartown on the 2d Monday of November Instant and the following persons were Drawn to Serve as travis Jurors on Trials Viz

Belcher Athearn
Thomas Waldron
Freeman Gray
Francis Hammett
Edmund Crowell

} Jurors on Trials
Tisbury Novr 6th 1820
attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified by the Constitution to Vote for Governor. Lieut Governor & Senator of this commonwealth Holden at the East parish on Monday the 2d Day of april A D 1821 for the purpose of Givin in there Votes for Governor Lieut Governor & Senator; and Votes were Given in for the following persons. sorted Counted & Decleration therof Made Viz

For Governor

the Hon Wm Eustis		fifty five
Hon John Brooks		thirty one
Hon Levi Lincoln	—	one
Hon Wm Phillips	—	one

For Lieut Governor

Wm Phillips	26
Levi Lincoln	59

For Senator

Braddock Dimmick	55
George Myrick	18
Thomas M. Vincent	8
Thos Dunham	5

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk* Tisbury april 2d 1821

Tisbury ss at a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury Holden in the Eastern parrish on Monday the 2d day of April A D 1821 for the purpose of Given in there Votes for a County Register & County Treasurer — and Votes for the following persons were Given in Sorted Counted & Decleration thereof Made Viz

Wm Cottle Moderator

For Samuel Smith 51 Votes for County Register

For Wm Jernegan Esqr., 45 Votes for County Treasurer

Tisbury April 3d 1821

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Tisbury ss at a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town. of Tisbury Holden in the Eastern Parrish on Monday the 2d day of April A D 1821 for the purpose of chooseing Town Officers as the Law Directs and for raising Money for the Support of the Poor Town Schools and Insidental Charges for the ensueing year

first Voted that Wm Cottle be the moderator of the Meeting

Voted that Wm Cottle be Town Clerk Sworn in Moderator resigned

Voted that Wm Davis be the Moderator excepted

Voted that Wm Cottle be one of the Selectmen
Voted that Matthew Merry do do
Voted that Wm Davis do do
} Sworn

Voted that the Sum of Eight dollars be allowed to the Town Treasurer as a full compensation for his Services the Insueing year

Voted that James Cottle be Town Treasurer Sworn

Voted that Elijah Hillman, Richard Luce, Henry C. Worth, Jerewell West & John Holmes be a Health Committe or board of Health

Voted that Thomas H Smith be a Collector of Taxes for the East Parrish

Voted that John W Willis be a Constable sworn
Voted that Jabez Luce do do do
Voted that Jeremiah Crowell do do
Voted that John Holmes do

Voted that Belcher Athearn Nathan Smith & Melichia Luce be Survayers of Highways

Voted that Thomas Dunham John Manter Thomas Robertson. Wm West. Thomas H. Smith & Charles West be hog Reaves sworn the insueing year Voted that John Johnson be a Collector of Taxes sworn

Voted that Thomas Dunham Lothrop Merry & Wm Downs be School Committe for the Holmes hole District

Voted that Matthew Merry & John Cottle be School Committe for the North Shore District

Voted that Benjamin Allen & Wm Lambert be School Committe for the South District

Voted that Peter Norton Jr & Wm Furgerson be a School Committe for the N W District

Voted that John Cottle Belcher Athearn Charles Look Thomas Cathcart & Timothy Chase be fence Viewers

Voted that James Cottle sworn Timothy Luce Jr Wm Andrews sworn Trustram Weeks & Barzella Luce sworn be Surveyors of Lumber

Voted that the raising of Money be postponed until the next adjourned Meeting

Voted that the Cattle be taken off from the Common Lands

Voted that the Sheep be taken off from the Common Lands

Voted that the Cattle be taken from the Commons by the first day of June next

Voted that the Sheep be taken from the Commons by the first Monday in June

Voted that Thomas Dunham sworn John Holmes Timothy Chase sworn Charles Look. John Tilton sworn Alfred Norton & Thomas Cathcart be Field Drivers

Voted that this Meeting Stand Adjourned until Monday the Ninth Day of april 1821 at four o clock in the afternoon

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of th Town of Tisbury qualified by Law to Vote for Representative to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held at Holmes hole in the East Parish of Tisbury on Monday the Ninth Day of april ye 1821 for the Purpose of giveing in their Votes yea or Nay upon the fourteen Articles of Amendment of the Constitution of this commonwealth pursuant to the act of the General Court of June 16th ye 1820 and the Resolves of the Delegates of the People in Convention assembled at Boston on the third Wednesday of November in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and twenty the Votes given in Sorted Counted and Decleration made thereof as follows Viz

Article	first yeas fifty Seven	57	Nays fourteen	14
"	Second yeas fifty Six	56	Nays one	1
"	third yeas fifty	50	Nays none	0
"	fourth yeas fifty one	51	Nays none	0
"	fifth yeas forty Six	46	Nays none	0
"	Sixth yeas forty nine	49	Nays none	0
"	Seventh yeas twenty five	25	Nays twenty three	23
"	Eighth yeas thirty Six	36	Nays three	3
"	Ninth yeas two	2	Nays forty	40
"	tenth yeas thirty Nine	39	Nays two	2
"	eleventh yeas thirty five	35	Nays none	0
"	twelvth yeas thirty four	34	Nays none	0
"	thirteenth yeas thirty one	31	Nays none	0
"	Fourteenth yeas twenty Nine	29	Nays two	2

Tisbury april 9th ye 1821

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the Adjourned meeting of april 2th ye 1821 the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Meet at Holmes hole in the East Parish on Monday 9th 1821 the Moderator being present the Meeting opened and the following Votes were passed Viz

Voted that John Johnson be excused from Serving as Collector of Taxes

Voted that James Cleveland be a collector of Taxes for the West Parish

Voted that Abijah sworn Hammett & John Johnson be hog Reives West Parish

Voted that the collectors of Taxes Shall have three & half pr ct upon all moneys assesed for Taxes the ensuing year as a full compensation for their Services

Voted that the Sum of two hundred dollars be assesed and raised for the Support of Town Schools the ensueing year

Voted that the Sum of one thousand Dollars be assesed and raised for the Support of the Poor and other Town expences the ensueing year

Voted that the Sum of Sixty dollars be assesed and raised for town expences the ensueing year

Voted that Peter Norton Benjamin Allen & David Look be a Committe to Settle with the late Selectmen and Town Treasurer

A Vote was taken to reconsider the Vote for taking the Cattle off the Commons, and Negatived

A Vote was taken to reconsider the Vote for taking the Sheep off the Commons, and Negatived

Voted that the Committe that was authorized to Settle with the Selectmen be authorized to build two Pounds one in the West Parrish and one in the East Parish

Voted that Shubal Dunham be the Pound Keeper for the East Parish

Voted that Bernard Luce sworn be the Pound Keeper for the West Parish

Voted that Jonathan Manter be a Feild Driver sworn

Voted that Jethro Hillman be a Feild Driver sworn

Voted that the School Districts remain as they now are recorded

Voted that Charles Smith Wm Harding & abijah Gray sworn be Titheing men

Voted that Isaac Luce be a Titheing sworn

Voted that this meeting Stand adjourned unto the Second monday of May next at 2 P M

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Town on Wednesday the twenty fifth day of april ye 1821 Pursuant Venire from the Clerk of the Supreme court to be holden at Barnstable on the Second Tuseday in May next ye 1821 for to appoint one Person of a Moral Character for to Serve at Sd Court as a Grand Juror and also to appoint one Person of a Simuler Character to Serve as a Traverse Juror at Sd Court Viz Ezra Athearn Grand Juror

and Moses Crosby Traverse Juror

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Meeting of april 9th ye 1821 the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Town on the Second day of May 1821 at 3 oclock in the afternoon the Moderator being present opened the Meeting and the following Votes were passed Viz

Voted that the Town of Tisbury do except of Elijah Luce for Collector of Taxes in lieu of James Cleveland for the West Parish

Voted that James Cottle be the Towns Agent the ensueing year for the prosicuting the Sute now pending with the Town of Taunton

a Vote was taken to reconsider the Vote for excepting Elijah Luce as Collector of Taxes for the West Parish in Lieu of James Cleveland and Negatived the Towns committe on the Selectmen & Treasurers accounts reported progress and had leave to sett again and make their report to the Town Clerk

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^{d} Town on Wednesday the Second day of May ye 1821

Pursuant to a Venire from the Clerk of the circut court of Common Pleas for the County of Dukes County to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May ye 1821 for to draw fife Suitable persons to Serve at S^{d} court as Grand jurors and four persons to Serve as Traverse Jurors at S^{d} Court the following we drawn

Viz Elisha Dunham	Grand Jurors
Willm Furgerson	
Timothy Chase	
Shubal Luce	
Shubal Weeks	
Edmund Smith	Traverse Jurors
Trustram Weeks	
Michail Daggett	
Benjamin Cleveland	

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^{d} Town on Wednesday the Second day of May ye 1821 for the purpose of Choosing a Representative to Represent the S^{d} Town in the General Court to be convened and held at Boston on the Last Wednesday of May

Voted Not to Send a Representative

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

The Whole Number of children in the Town of Tisbury in September ye 1821 Males under 21 Females under 18 as Numbered by the dif-

ferent School Committee were five hundred & Eighty four and were in the different Districts as follows Viz

Holmes hole	District	329
N West	do	91
North Shore	do	90
South	do	74
		584 children

in the year 1821 there were $200 raised for Town Schools the Proportions are as follows

Holmes hole	District	$112 „ 67
N W	do	31 „ 16
North Shore	do	30 „ 83
South	do	25 „ 34
		$200 „ 00

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the Parish Meeting House on Sauterday october 6th ye 1821 for the Purpose of Chosing an Agent to Confer with the Representatives from Chilmark and Edgartown to the General Court for the purpose of Fixing the Valuation or proportioning the State and County Tax in an equatable manner on the three Towns

Voted that Elijah Hillman be Moderator

Voted that the meeting be adjourned to Wednesday October 6th ye 1821

at the adjourned Town Meeting on Wednesday October 10th ye 1821 the Moderator not being Present Voted that Seth Daggett be Moderator Pro Tem

Voted that the meeting be adjourned without day

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Sauterday the twenty Seventh day of October ye 1821 pursuant to Warrant from John W. Willis one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury to draw four Eligeable Person as Traverse Jurors to Serve at the circut court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the Second Monday of November ye 1821 the following Persons were Drawn Viz

Shubal Merry	
Jonathan Lambert	Traverse
James Cottle	Jurors
Joseph Allen	

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

November 27th ye 1821 John Davis Esqr Notified the Town clerk to appear at the House of Barnard Luce in Tisbury to attend the taking of Depositions of Sundry People respecting the cause Pending between the Town of Chilmark and the Town of Tisbury on Monday December 3th y 1821 at 10 clock A M

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Wednesday the twenty Eighth day of November ye 1821 for the Purpose of Choosing an agents to defend the Sute brought Against the Town of Tisbury by the Town of Chilmark for the Support of Mayhew Smith a Pauper now resident in Chilmark to be tried in Taunton in the County of Bristol on the Second Monday of December next

Voted that Seth Daggett be Morderator

Voted that Thomas Dunham be the agent to defend the Sute

Voted that Benjamin Allen Thomas Dunham & William Davis be a committee to Settle with the Town of Chilmark and receive Mayhew Smith the Pauper in Contention if they in their Judgement think it advisable in Preferance to going through a cource of Law and to Instruct the Agent accordingly

Voted that the Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the fifth day of December ye 1821

attest William Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Meeting of November 28th ye 1821 the Inhabitants meet at the Meeting House in the east Parish of Tisbury on Wednesday December the fifth the moderator being absent Voted that Capt Seth Daggett be moderator, Pro tem

Voted that the Meeting be adjourned without day

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town Tisbury duly qualified by the Laws and Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for Governour Lieut Governour and Senators on monday the first day of april y. 1822 the following persons were Voted for as follows Viz and Sorted counted & Sealed as the Law directs

for Governour	Hon John Brooks thirty five	35
do	do Wm. Eustis Sixty Nine	69
for Leut Governour	Levi Lincoln Sixty Eight	68
do	Wm. Phillips Nineteen	19
do	John Brooks one	1
for Senators & Councilers	James L Hodges Sixty Seven	67
— do —	John Hancock Sixty one	61
— do —	Oliver Starkweather twenty two	22
— do —	Stephen Merrihew Eighty Nine	89
— do —	Matthew Mayhew twenty three	23
— do —	Nathan Wheeler Seven	7
— do —	Jethro Daggett Seven	7
— do —	Oliver Crosby one	1

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Sd. Town on Monday the first day of april ye 1822 for the purpose of giving in their Votes for County Treasurer and Votes for the following Persons were given Sorted and Counted and Decleration made thereof by the Moderator John Davis Esqr Viz

John Davis Esqr Moderator

for County Treasurer	Wm. Jernegan twenty Eight	28
do	Wm. Cottle forty one	41
do	Jabez Luce two	2
do	Thos Smith one	1

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Holden at Tisbury West Parish on Monday the first day of april ye 1822 having been duly Notified as the Constitution of the Commonwealth and law requires for the Purpose of Chooseing, Town officers. and

raising money for the Support of the Poor, Town Schools, and Insidental Charges for the ensueing year the following Votes were taken Viz

first Voted John Davis Esqr Morderator
" Wm Cottle Town Clerk sworn
" Wm Cottle
" Matthew Merry } Selectmen sworn
" Wm Davis
" James Cottle Town Treasurer sworn
" that the town Treasurer shall have Eight dollars pr year for his services —
" Shubal Dunham Constable
" Shubal Dunham Collector Sworn in
" John W. Willis constable Sworn
" John Holmes do
" Jabez Luce do sworn
" Thomas Cathcart Collector sworn in
" Jonathan Manter Surveyer of Highways sworn
" Charles Look do do
" John Cottle do do
" Bernard Luce do do sworn in
" Prince Rogers do do
" David Look

Voted James Cottle Surveyor of Lumber sworn
" Wm Andrews Sworn do do
" Timothy Luce Jur Sworn do do
" Trustram Weeks do do sworn

Voted John Cottle
" Samuel Thompson sworn
" Timothy Chase sworn
" Wm Daggett sworn Fence Veiwers
" Joseph Chase sworn
" Wm Davis

Voted Leander Daggett sworn in
" James D. Peakes sworn in
" Michal Daggett
" John W. Willis sworn Hog Reeves
" John Johnson
" James Look sworn
" Malicha Luce sworn in

Voted Abijah Hammett	sworn	
" Timothy Luce Jur	sworn	Pound keepers
Voted Timothy Chase	sworn	
" John W. Willis	sworn	
" Timothy Luce Jur	sworn	Feild Drivers for
" Shubal Merry	sworn	Holmes hole
" Jethro Hillman	sworn	District
" Jonathan Manter	sworn	
Voted Benjamin Allen		
" Bernard Luce	sworn	
" Whitten Manter	sworn	Feild Drivers for
" Bartimus Luce		the Western
" Samuel Thompson	sworn	District of Tisbury
" Abijah Hammett	sworn	
Voted Henry P. Worth		
" Elijah Hillman		
" Richard Luce	sworn	Health
" Nathan Smith	sworn	Committe
" John Baxter		
Voted Belcher Athearn	School Committe for the	
Jonathan Lambert	South District	
Voted John Cottle		
" Erven Luce	School Committe for the	
" Matthew Merry	North Shore District	
Voted Peter Norton Jur	School Committe for the	
" Freeman Gray	N. W. District	
Voted Shubal Dunham		
" Seth Daggett	School Committe for the	
" Lathrop Merry	Holmes hole District	
Voted Wm Look	sworn	
" Wm Lambert	sworn	Tithingmen
Voted Wm Davis		
" Benjamin Cleveland	sworn	
" Joseph Smith	sworn	
" John Cottle		
" Wm Downs		Tithing-men
" Thomas Dunham	sworn	
" Timothy Athearn	sworn	

Voted that the Cattle be taken off from the Commons and Negatived

the numbers Voting were 33 for the Measure and 33 against — the Morderator Voting in the Negative

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned to Monday the fifteenth day of april Inst y 1822

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Meeting of april 1st y 1822 the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury on Monday the fifteenth day of april y 1822 at 1 o clock in the afternoon the Morderator being Present opened the Meeting and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted Richard Luce to be Constable and Sworn in

Moved and Seconded that the Vote that Passed on the first day of april Inst respecting Cattles going at large on the Commons be reconsidered passed in the Negative Voted that the Feild Drivers be instructed not to take up the Sheep going at large from and after November 1st ý 1822 until April 1st y 1823

Voted that Alfred Norton, Athearn Manter and Charles Look, be Feild Driver and they were Sworn

Voted Moses Crosby	sworn
& Thomas Butler	sworn be Tithingmen
Voted Lathrop Merry & Timothy Luce Ju	Committe to build a Pound in Holmes hole

Voted that the Sum of two hundred Dollars be assesed and raised for Support of Town Schools the ensueing year

Voted that Eight Hundred Dollars be raised and assesed on the Inhabitants for the Support of the Poor

Voted that twenty five dollars be raised for to build a Pound in Holmes hole

Voted that one Hundred Dollars be raised for contingent expences

Voted that the Collectors of Taxes have three & a half pr Cent on Sums assesed on the Inhabitants for they compensation for their Services as Collectors of Taxes

Voted that the Surveyors of High ways shall cause the Highways to be repaired by Calling out the Inhabitants to Work out their proportion of Labour on Sd ways

Voted that Transient Persons be prohibeted from Shooting Heath Hins or other Game in the Town of Tisbury

Voted that all Transient Persons that shall Hunt or Shoot game in the Town of Tisbury shall pay a fine of five Dollars

Voted to Petition the General Court to grant this Town a greater Sum than is now allowed by law for the Support of State Paupers

Voted that Benjamin Allen esqur and Thomas Dunham Esqur be A Committe to Petition the General Court for the above Purpose

Voted to Petition Congress to erect a Hospital in this Town for the reception of Distresed Seaman or make Some Provision for Seaman that may be landed here destitute of the means of Support

Voted that Wm Cottle and Capt Seth Daggett be a committe to Petition Congress for the above purpose

Vote taken and Negatived respecting Seining in Holmes hole Harbour and other Places

Voted that Wm Davis be an agent for the Town to commence or Defend any Suites that may be for or against the town the ensueing year

Voted that Benjamin Allen and Wm Davis be a Committe to Settle with Theophiles Mayhew respecting Mayhew Smith a Pauper

Voted that Benjamin Allen and Wm Davis be authorized to Complimise with any person from the State of Ohio to take Mayhew Smith to his relations in that State

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned to the first thuesday in May next at 2 oclock in the afternoon

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury on the first day of May y 1822 held in the East Parish of S^{d} Town by Virtue of a warrant from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be holden at Barnstable on the first tuesday of May Inst for the purpose of having one person to Serve at Said court as a grand Juror and one person to Serve as a Travers Juror and the following Persons were drawn Viz

Thomas Cathcart Grand Juror
James Cleveland Traverse Juror

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Pursuant to adjournment of Said Meeting on the fifteenth day of april assembled at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Town at 2

o clock in the afternoon on May the Second y 1822 the Morderator being present opened the Meeting and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted that Benjamin Allen Esqr and Capt Seth Daggett be a committe to examine the Selectmens Books and Settle with the Town Treasurer

Voted that the Town Agent do commence and Prosecute a Suite against the Town of Taunton for the Support of the Dean Family Provided that he finds on weighing the Circumstances that an action can be Legally brought

Wm Davis the Town agent chosen at a former meeting declined Serving

Voted that Thomas Dunham be Town agent to Prosecute and defend Suites the ensueing year

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned without day

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Sd Town on Thursday the Second day of May at 3 o clock in the afternoon ye 1822 for the Purpose of Chooseing a Representative to Represent the Said Town in the General Court to be convened and held at Boston on the last Wednesday in May Inst

Voted not to Send a Representative

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Meeting House in the West Parish of S^{d} Town on thursday the Second day of May by Virtue of a Warrant from the Clerk of the Cucuit Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May Inst for the purpose of drawing five Persons to Serve at S^{d} Court and through the year as grand Jurors and four Persons as the law directs to Serve at S^{d} Court as traverse Jurors and the following Persons were drawn Viz

Grand Jurors
- Jerimiah Crowell
- Benjamin Dexter
- Thos. H. Smith
- Zenas Dillingham
- Joseph Smith

Traverse Jurors { Zackariah Smith
Wm Andrews
Clifford Dunham
Whitten Manter }

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the West Parish at the old Meeting House of Said Tisbury of Monday the fourth day of November pursuant to Vinire from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Common pleas for the County of Dukes County to be holden at Edgartown in Sd County on the Second Monday of November y 1822 for the purpose of drawing four Persons to Serve as Traverse Jurors at Said Court as the Law directs and the following Persons were drawn Viz

Hovey Luce
Alexander Newcomb
Jacob Clifford
Benjamin Lambert

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the old Meeting House in the West Parish of Sd Town for the purpose of Choosing a Representative of the People of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States for the Barnstable District on the first Monday of November it being the fourth day of November in the y 1822 the following Person was Voted and the Votes Sorted, Counted and Sealed in Public Town Meeting as the Law Directs Viz

Hon John Reed had fifteen Votes 15

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the old Meeting House in the West Parish of Sd Town on Monday the fourth day of November y 1822 for Sundry Town purposes, the following Votes were passed Viz

Voted Wm Cottle to be moderator

Voted that Benjamin Allen and Thomas Dunbar be a committe to Settle with Zenas Dillingham concerning Lucy Slocum

Voted that Elijah Hillman and Thomas Dunham be a committe to Settle with Docter Silas West respecting the expence of Wm Bradbury Voted this meeting be adjourned without day

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Qualified by laws and constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for Governor Leuitant Governor, Senator & Councilers on Monday the Seventh day of april y 1823 at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury the following Persons were Voted for and the Votes Sorted Counted Recorded & Sealed in open Town Meeting as the Law Directs Viz

for Governor	Hon William Eustis Seventy three	73
	Hon Harison Gray Otis Seventeen	17
	Hon Levi Lincoln one	1
for Lieut Governor	Hon Levi Lincoln Seventy	70
	Hon George Noble Six	6
	Hon Daniel Noble Seven	7
for Senators & Counclers	James L Hodges fifty nine	59
	Stephen Merrihew Sixty five	65
	John Mason Sixty five	65
	John L Hodges Six	6
	Oliver Starkweather thirteen	13
	Thomas Rotch thirteen	13
	Joseph E. Read thirteen	13

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Warned and qualified to Vote as the Laws and Constitution requires at the East Parish in Tisbury on Monday April the Seventh y 1823 for the choise of a County Treasurer the following Votes were given and declaration made by the Moderator George Athearn Esq

For County Treasurer	William Jernigan Esqur fourty four	44
	John Hancock Esqr two	2

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden in the East Parish of Sd Town on Monday the Seventh day of april y 1823 they having been duly notified as the laws and constitution of this Commonwealth requires for the purpose of chooseing Town

officers, Raising Money for the Support of the Poor Town Schools and Incidental Charges for the Insueing year the following Votes were taken Viz

first	Voted	Peter Norton Esq Moderator	
sworn	"	Wm Cottle to be Town Clerk	
	"	Wm Cottle	Selectmen
		Matthew Merry	Overseers of the
		Wm Davis	Poor & assessors
sworn	"	James Cottle Town Treasurer	
	"	that the Treasurer have eight dollars pr year for his Services	
	"	Henry P. Worth	Health Committe
	"	Wm Daggett Jr	
	"	Lathrop Merry	
	"	Wm Harding	
	"	Stephen Skiff	
	"	Shubal Dunham	Collectors of Taxes
	"	Bartlet Pease	
sworn	"	John W. Willis	Constables
	"	Henry P. Worth	
sworn	"	Peter Norton 3d	
	"	Jabez Luce	do
sworn	"	James Cottle	Surveyors of High Ways
	"	Barnard Luce	
	"	Timothy Chase	
sworn	"	Peter Norton	
	Voted	Peter Norton Jr	School Committe for the
	"	Freeman Gray	N W District
	"	Seth Daggett	School Committe for
	"	Lathrop Merry	Holmes hole District
	"	Wm Downs	
	"	Belcher Athearn	do South District
	"	Whitten Manter	
	"	John Cottle	do North Shore District
	"	Jabez Smith	
	"	Wm Daggett Jr	Tithing Men
sworn	"	Stephen Skiff	
	"	James West	
sworn	"	Wm Andrews	
sworn	"	Zackariah Smith	

sworn	Voted	Charles Look	Tithing Men
sworn	"	Thomas Cathcart	
	"	Wm Lambert	
sworn	"	James Cottle	
sworn	"	Wm Harding	
sworn	"	Wm Andrews	Surveyors of Lumber
	"	Timothy Luc Jr	
	"	Trustram Weeks	
sworn	"	David Carrey	
sworn	"	James Lyon	
sworn	"	James S. West	
sworn	"	Shubal Merrey	Hog Reaves
sworn	"	James Foster	
	"	Wm Merry 3d	
	"	Albert West	
	"	Shubal Dunham	
sworn	"	Abijah Hammett	Pound Keepers
sworn	Voted	John W. Willis	
sworn	"	Shubal Merry	
sworn	"	Stephen Skiff	
sworn	"	Bernard Luce	
	"	Whitten Manter	
sworn	"	Charles Look	Feild Drivers
sworn	"	Eliakam Norton	
sworn	"	Freeman Norton	
	"	John Jonson	
	"	Samuel Thompson	
	"	David Look	
	"	Timothy Chase	Fence Veiwers
	"	John Holmes	
	"	John Cottle	
	"	Nathan Smith	Surveyors of Wood and Bark
	"	Isaac Morehouse	
	"	the Selectmen appropriate one dollar to Clean the Meeting House after Town Meeting	
	"	Seth Daggett	be a Committe to Settle the Selectmen & Town Treasurer Books
	"	George Athearn	
	"	John Davis	

Voted that transient Persons be prohibeted from Shooting Heathhens or other game within the Town

" that this Meeting be adjorned to april th 21 on Monday at 2 P. M y 1823

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury on Monday april 21st y 1823 at the Parish of S^d^ Town Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court at Barnstable to draw one Grand Juror and one Traverse Juror to attend Said Court in the May Term y 1823 the Selectmen & Town Clerk being present opened the Meeting at one o clock P M and adjourned for one hour again opened the meeting pursuant to adjournment and the following Persons were drawn from the Jury Box Viz

Thomas Robeson	Grand Juror
John Look	Traverse Juror

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting of april th7y 1823 the Inhabitants assembled at the Meeting House in the East Parish in Tisbury on Monday april th21 y 1823 at 2 o clock P. M. the Morderator being present opened the Meeting and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted that Bernard Luce, Stephen Skiff and Elijah Hillman be a Committe to regulate the Jury Box and the Box was regulated according to Law

Voted that the Sum of Eight Hundred dollars be raised and assessed upon the Inhabitants of S^d^ Town for the Support of the Poor

Voted that two Hundred dollars be raised for the Support of Town Schools

Voted that One Hundred dollars be raised for contingent expences.

Voted that twenty five dollars be raised for to Build a Pound in the East Parrish of Sd Town

Voted that Elijah Hillman, Belcher Athearn and Bernard Luce be a Committe to Settle with Zenus Dillingham respecting Lucy Slocum

Voted that Elijah Hillman, Belcher Athearn & Bernard Luce be a Committe to Settle with Oliver Grinnell respecting the Dean Family

Voted that the Vote taken last Town Meeting respecting the Shooting of game be reconsidered except the Shooting of Heath hens

Voted that thare be a fine of five dollars Levied upon any Person or Persons that Shoots any Heath Hens within the Town of Tisbury one half of the fine to go to the complainent the other half to the use of the Poor of Sd Town of Tisbury

Voted that Silas West and William Cottle be a Committe to Petition the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Receive Vilot — a Coulered Woman as a State Pauper

Voted that Elijah Hillman be agent for the Town to Prosecute or defend any Sutes at Law that may occur or be thought nessessary

sworn Voted that Bartlet Pease Jur be Collector of Taxes for the Western Parish of Tisbury in Lieu & Stead of Bartlet Pease

Voted that Samuel Thompson, Thomas Cathcart and John Look be Feild Drivers

Voted that William Look and John Jonson be Hog Reaves

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned unto Sauterday May th 3 y 1823 at 2 P. M.

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified to Vote for Representatives as the Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth requires and Said Meeting having been warned according to Law they assembled at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on May th 3 y1823 and Voted not to choose a Representative

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Persuant to the adjourned Meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury on April 21st y 1823 they assembled at the Meeting House in the East Parish on Sauterday May 3th y 1823 at 2 PM the Moderator being absent the Meeting was opened by the clerk and Wm Davis was chosen Moderator Pro Tem

Voted to adjourn one quarter of an hour at 3 P M opened the meeting again

a Vote was taken to raise $75 for contingent expenses and passed in the Negative

Voted that the Meeting be adjourned – Sine day

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

at A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Sd Town on Monday the twelvth day of May y 1823 Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the Court of the County of Dukes County to draw Nine Jury Men to Serve as Jurors at Said Court to be held at Edgartown in Said County on the third Monday of May Instant and the following Persons were drawn Viz

Isaac Luce	Grand Jurors
Jabez Athearn	
Malicha Luce	
John Lambert	
Stephen Luce	
John Johnson	Traverse Jurors
Bartlet Pease	
Timothy Athearn	
Freeman Norton	

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

at a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the East Parish in S^d^ Tisbury on Sauterday May 17th y 1823 Pursuant to a Petition of Ten freeholders of S^d^ Town the Inhabitants having been duly warned according to the Laws and Constitution of this Commonwealth and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted William Daggett Ju Morderator

Voted that no Person or Persons Shall be allowed to draw a Sein in Chopoquonsett Pond nor in the Vineyard Sound Nearer to Chopoquonsett Creek than Isaac Luces Salt Works to the West or the old Meadow Water fence to the eastward under the Penalty of five dollars fine for each offence half to be given to the Poor of Said Town the other half to be given to the Complainant and that the Clerk Shall cause it to be laid before the Court of Sessions for their approbation

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day

attest William Cottle *Town Clerk*

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the first Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday ^th^ 13 day of October y 1823 for the Purpose of disposeing of John Athearn Property for his Support during his life and for other purposes the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted Thomas Dunham Esqr to be Morderator

Voted William Davis to be Town Clerk Pro Tem

Voted that the Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury with the Consent of the gaurdian of John Athearn be authorized to dispose of the Estate of S^d^ John Athearn in any Legal method to Some Person who will give Bonds to Support the Said John with Suitable food Clothing and Lodging during his life

Voted that a committe be chosen to look up the property of Jane Norton if any She has

Voted that Bernard Luce abijah Hammett and Jabez Luce to be Said Committe

Voted that James Cottle, Alexander Newcombe & Timothy Luce Jur be a Committe to Settle with Zenus Dillingham for the Support of Lucy Norton Slocum a pauper and also to Settle with Oliver Grinold for the Support of the Dean if not otherwise Settled and Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day as pr returns of Wm Davis
Clerk Pro Tem

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the East Parish of Said Town on Monday October 27th y 1823 Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown of the Second Monday of November next for the Purpose of drawing four discreet Persons to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurers the Clerk of the Town and one of the Selectmen being Present the following Persons Wre drawn from the Jury Box Viz

Roland Luce	Peter Norton 3^d^
John Hammett	John Gray

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the laws and Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for governor Senators and councilers on Monday the fifth day of april y 1824 at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury the following Persons were Voted for and the Votes Sorted Counted, recorded and Sealed in open Town Meeting as the law Directs Viz

Hon William Eustis had forty Nine Votes for governor	49
Hon Samuel Lathrop had thirty eight Votes for Governor	38

Hon Marcus Morton had fifty three Votes for Lieutenant governor 53

Hon Richard Sulivan had thirty Six Votes for Lieutenant Governor 36

For Senators and Councilors	James L Hodges had	Sixty one Votes	61
	John Mason	Sixty one "	61
	Soloman Pratt	sixty one "	61
	Oliver Starkweather	thirty	30
	Silvester Brownell	twenty eight	28
	Thomas Rotch	twenty six	26

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly warned as the laws and constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury on Monday th 5 day of april to Vote for A County Treasurer the following Votes were given and decleration made by the Moderator John Davis Esqu

For County Treasurer	William Jernigen had	twenty Votes	20
	Peter Norton 3^d^ had	thirty-five Votes	35
	Joseph Norton " one	"	1

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Laws & Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in Town affairs choise of Town officers and raising of Money on Monday the fifth day of april y 1824 at the Meeting House in the west Parish of Tisbury the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted Jabez Luce to be Moderator

" William Cottle	and Town Clerk
" Matthew Merry	Selectmen
" William Furgerson	
" Henry P. Worth	
" John Holmes	
" Elijah Hillman	Health Committe
" William Downs	
" Seth Daggett	

Sworn Voted George Dunham Collector of Taxes for the East Parish

" William Davis Collector of Taxes for the West Parish

Voted William Dunham	sworn	
" Timothy Luce Jur	sworn	
" Peter Norton 3d	sworn	Constables
" Jabez Luce	sworn	
" Seth Daggett	sworn	
" Charles Look		
" Shubal Dunham	sworn	
" Shubal Luce	sworn	Surveyers of high Ways
" James Rogers sworn		
" Robert Look		
" Prince Rogers		

Voted that the Cattle be restrained from going at large on the Common the Vote was forty one for their being restrained and thirty one against — the moderator and Town Clerk did not Vote

Voted William Harding		
" Barzella Luce	sworn	
" James Cottle		
" Timothy Luce Jr		Surveyors of Lumber
" James A Peakes		
" Trustram Weeks		
" William Andrews		

Voted William Daggett Jr sworn	Seth Daggett sworn	
" Benjamin Dexter	Richard Luce	
" Stephen Skiff	Whitten Manter	
" Jethro Hillman	James Look sworn	
" Timothy Chase	Robert Manter sworn	
" Robert Cottle	Shubal Weeks	Feild
" Shubal Merry sworn	Bartimus Luce sworn	Drivers
" James Cottle sworn	John Hammett sworn	
" Charles Look	Jabez Luce sworn	
" Matthew Luce	Benjamin Allen	
" Michal Daggett	John Cottle	
" John Lewis sworn	Samuel Thompsson sworn	

Sworn Jerimiah Crowell Pound Keeper in Holmes hole
Sworn Abijah Hammett do do in West Parish

Voted William Andrews sworn	John Cottle	
" James Cottle	Joseph Smith sworn	
" William Downs	Benjamin Cleveland sworn	Titheing Men
" James D Peaks sworn	William S Vincent sworn	
" Jacob Clifford	Willard Luce	

Voted William Andrews sworn	Samuel Thompson sworn	Fence Veiwers
" Timothy Chase	John Hammett	
" Charles Look	Stephen Luce	
" John Hurstle sworn	Bartimus Luce	Hog Reaves
" Benjamin Trask sworn	Bartlet Pease Jr	
" Nathan Smith	John Johnson sworn	
" John Holmes	James Look	
" John Cottle	William S. Vincent sworn	

Voted that this meeting be adjourned until the first Monday in May 3th y 1824 at two o clock in the afternoon,

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury on april th5· y 1824 they assembled at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury on Monday May the 3d y 1824. the Morderator and Clerk being present the Meeting was opened and the following Votes Taken Viz

Voted that the Town Treasurer have for his Services as Treasurer and Receiver eight dollars pr year

Voted that James Cottle be Treasurer

Voted that Benjamin Allen Elijah Hillman and Presbury Norton be a committe to examine the Selectmens and Treasurers report and report to the next adjourned meeting on the Same

Voted that Elijah Hillman be agent for to Commence or defend Sutes for or against the Town of Tisbury

Voted Nathan Smith	to be School Committe
Seth Daggett	for the Holmes hole District
Lathrop Merry	
Voted John Cottle	to be School Committe for
Shubal Weeks	the North Shore district
Voted William Davis	to be School Committe
Jacob Clifford	for the N W District
Voted George Athearn	to be School Committe
Abijah Hammett	for the South School
Whitten Manter	District

Voted — that the Town agent get legal advice from some person duly qualified – respecting Sueing the Town of Edgartown for the payment of the expence that Polly Hitchcock has been at and report at the next adjourned meeting

Voted that William S. Vincent be collector of Taxes for the West Parish in Lieu of William Davis

Voted to reconsider the Vote taken at the annuel Meeting for restraining the Cattles going at large and the Votes were forty three for reconsidering the Vote, and Seventeen against reconsidering that Vote

43
17
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60

the whole number of Voters present at taking the Vote for reconsidering the Vote for restraining the Cattle was twelve less than at taking the Vote on the fifth day of april y 1824 the Vote then was forty one for restrainging and thirty one against it

41
31
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72

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned unto the first Monday in June y 1824 at 3 o clock in the afternoon

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the East Parish of Said Town on Monday the 19th day of April y 1824 Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court at Barnstable for the purpose of drawing two discreet persons to Serve as Jurors at Said Court to be holden on the first tuesday in May next the one to Serve as Grand Juror and the other as Traverse Juror the Town Clerk & Selectmen being present the following Persons were drawn from the Jury Box to Serve at Said Court Viz

Robert Athearn Grand Juror
Peter Daggett Traverse Juror

at a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified as the constitution and laws of the commonwealth of Massachusetts requires for the choise of Representative — the meeting being duly warned — at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury on Monday the 3d day of May y 1824 for the purpose of chooseing a Representative to represent them at the next General Court — Voted not to Send any one

attest William Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the East Parish of Said Town Pursuant to Vinire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be held at Edgartown on the fifth Monday of May for the Purpose of drawing from the Jury Box five Persons to Sèrve as grand Jurors for one year and four Persons to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors the following Persons were drawn viz

Joseph Look Jur	Grand Jurors
John Ferguson	
Phillip Luce	
Mayhew A Luce	
Matthew Luce	
Abijah Hammett	Traverse Jurors
Jerimiah Luce	
Seth Luce	
David Butler	

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury on May th3 y 1824 they assembled at the Meeting House in the West Parish on the first Monday in June at 3 o clock in the afternoon the Moderator and Town Clerk being absent the following Votes ware taken Viz — Wm Davis to be moderator and Wm Furguson Town Clerk pro tem

Voted — after a due consideration of the Town agent and hearing his report concerning the Support of of Polly Hitchcock — and thare appearing a Lease of the Land where the Said Polly Hitchcock House Stands — Voated that it was not nessesary to Prosecute the Town of Edgartown for her Support

Voted — to raise Seven hundred and fifty dollars for the Support of the Poor and other Incidental Charges

Voted to raise two hundred dollars for Town Schools

Voted to divide the Money according to the State bill in each District as pr report of the Clerk Pro Tem

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

at a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the East Parish of Tisbury Pursuant to Vinire from the Clerk of the court of common Pleas to be held in Edgartown on Monday th1 day of

November y 1824 for the purpose of drawing from the Jury box four persons of good Moral Character to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors the following persons were drawn Viz

Moses I. Cromwell, Presbury Norton
Francis Hammett, Moses Crosby
attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the East Parish on Monday November th1 y 1824 at one Clock in the afternoon for the purpose of giving in their Votes for a Representative to represent the Barnstable District in the Nineteenth Congress of the United States and the following Persons were Voted for and the Votes Sorted, Counted, recorded & Sealed in open Town meeting as the Law directs Viz

Hon John Reed	Sixteen Votes	16
Hon Barker Burnell	Eighteen	18

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury on Monday November th1 y 1824 in the East Parish of Said Town at two oclock in the afternoon qualified as the Law directs and pursuant to a resolve of the General Court of the Commonwealth passed June th8 y 1824 for the Choise of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States & the following persons were Voted for the Votes were Sorted Counted and recorded and decleration made thereof in open Town Meeting as the Law directs Viz

Electors at Large		
Hon William Gray	twenty four	24
" Levi Lincoln	twenty four	24
" William Bayless	Eight	8
" William Reed	Eight	8
Electors For Suffolk District		
Hon Thomas L Winthrop of Boston	twenty four	24
" Samuel Hubbard do	Eight	8
Electors for Essex South Districts		
Hon Nathaniel Silsbee of Salem	twenty four	24
" William Sutton do	eight	8

Electors for Essex North District

Doctr Joseph Kettredge of andover	twenty four	24
Hon David How	Eight	8

Electors for Middlesex District

Augustus Tower Esqr of Stowe	twenty four	24
Hon Edmund Foster	Eight	8

Electors for Worcester South District

Gen Jonathan Davis of Oxford	twenty four	24
Doct Daniel Thurburn		8

Electors for Worcester North District

Coll Edmund Cushing of Lunenburg,	twenty four	24
Hon Solomon Strong	Eight	8

Electors For Franklin District

Oliver Smith Esqr of Hattfield	twenty four	24
Genl Samuel Porter	eight	8

Electors For Hamden District

Enos Foot Esqur of Southwick	twenty four	24
Doct Timothy Horton	Eight	8

Electors for Berkshire District

Hon William Walker of Lenox	twenty four	24
do William Walker do	Eight	

Electors for Norfolk District

Hon John Endicott of Dedham	twenty-four	24
Hon Benjamin Reynolds	Eight	8

Electors for Plymouth District

Hon Thomas Weston of Middleborough	twenty four	24
Hon Benjamin Hobart	Eight	8

Electors for Bristol District

Cornelius Grinnold Esqur New Bedford	twenty four	24
Hon John M. Williams	Eight	8

Electors For Barnstable Districts

Hezekiah Barnerd Esqur Nantucket	twenty four	24
Nymphas Marston Esqur	Eight	8

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

The whole Number of Children in the Town of Tisbury in December y 1824 were (Males under twenty one years and Females under eighteen as pr returns of the Several School Committes) Five Hundred and Ninety-Seven 597

Holmes Hole District		children	335
North Shore	do	do	88
N West	do	do	80
South & S„E	do	do	94
			597

In the year 1824 there was raised by the Town for the Support Town Schools two Hundred dollars $200.

Proportioned as follows Viz

Holmes Hole District		$112 = 23
North Shore	do	29 „ 48
N. West	do	26 „ 80
South & S. E	do	31 „ 49
		$200 = 00

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Laws and Constitution of this Commonwealth to Vote for Governor. Lieutenant Governor Councilers & Senators, on Monday the fourth day of april in the y 1825 at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Sd Tisbury and the following Persons were voted for and the Votes Sorted and counted recorded and Sealed in open Town Meeting as the Law Directs Viz

Hon Levi Lincoln for Governour Fifty-eight Votes		58
Hon Marcus Morton for Leut Governour Fifty-four		54
For Councilors & Senators		
John Mason	thirty Nine	39
Solmon Pratt	thirty Nine	39
Shubal Dunham	thirty Six	36
Thomas Rotch	twenty two	22
Sheaperd Leach	twenty two	22
Matthew Mayhew	twenty	20
Joseph Trip	Five	5

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, duly qualified by the Constitution & Laws of This Commonwealth to Vote in

the Choice of County Treasurer, on Monday the fourth day of april y 1825 at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Sd Tisbury and the following Persons were Voted for to be county Treasurer Viz

Peter Norton th 3d had fifty Six Votes	56
William Jernigen had twelve do	12

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Constitution & Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in the Choise of Town officers and other Town affairs on Monday the fourth day of april y 1825 at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Sd Tisbury the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted Elijah Hillman to be Moderator

Voted William Cottle to be Town Clerk sworn

Voted Stephen Skiff } to be Selectmen and
Voted Matthew Merry } Assessors
Voted Wm Furguson } sworn in

Voted James Cottle to be Town Treasurer and to have for his Services as Treasurer Eight dollars pr year

Voted that the Treasurer Isue his Warrant of execution against those delinquint Collectors who shall not have paid the amount of the Sum Committed to him for Collection in thirty days after the term allowed by his Warrant

Voted that Elijah Hillman. Charles Smith. Winthrop Luce Seth Daggett & Thomas Dunham be the Board of Health

Voted that one Collector shall be for the whole Town that the pay for collecting be Sold to the lowest bidder at auction he being A Suitable Person & giving Bonds for the faithful performance of that duty — that the Person giving in the lowest terms at the adjournment Shall be the Collector — that Town orders Shall be received by the Collectors in Payment of Taxes.

Voted that Alexander Newcombe } declined Serving
sworn Alfred Norton. } be Town Constables
John Cottle. } declined Serving
Bernard Luce } do do

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned until the 3d Monday in april y 1825 @ 2 P M

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting on the fourth day of April y 1825 the Inhabitants meet on april 18th y 1825 the Moderator and Clerk being Present the meeting was opened and the following Votes were passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted that Jabez Luce sworn
" Wm S. Vincent sworn
" Charles Smith sworn
" Shubal Merry
" Alfred Norton sworn
} to be Constables

Voted that the Selectmen be restricted from allowing more than one year for the Collection of Taxes to the Collectors of the Town and that all taxes by them assessed and Committed to Collectors for collection the collectors shall be directed to pay the amount into the Treasurey on or before one year from the date of their assesment Benjamin Allen being the lowest bidder for collector of Taxes the ensuing year and was Chosen Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury and was to have for his Services as collector three pr cent and Bonds were taken for the amount of three thousand dollars for the faithful preformance of his duty Peter Norton & Richard Luce were his Bondsmen

Voted that Charles Look
Eliakem Norton
Charles Smith
George Athearn
} be Surveyors of Highways

Voted that Shubal Merry
Peter Norton Jr
Samuel Thompson
John Cottle
Timothy Chase
} be fence Veiwers

Voted Trustram Weeks
" James Cottle
" Wm Andrews
" Timothy Luce Jr
" John Lambert
} Surveyers of Lumber

Voted that Jethro Hillman Charles Look
George Dunham Oliver Grinnell sworn Jr
James Cottle Willard Luce
John Johnson John Hammett sworn
Timothy Luce Jr Michail Daggett
Barnard Luce
} Field Drivers

Voted Joseph Grinnell
Elisha Dexter
James Smith
Wm S. Vincent
Samuel Thompson } Hog Reeves
Zenas Dillingham
Charles G. Athearn
Bartimus Luce
Jerimiah Crowell

John P. Norton } North Shore District
Tristram Weeks } School Committe

Voted that Abijah Luce Wm Downs sworn
James Cleveland
Jabez Luce Winthrop Luce } Tithing Men
Noah Waldron Jacob Clifford
Thomas Roberson

Voted Shubal Merry } Pound Keepers
" Abijah Hammett

Voted Jacob Clifford } N W School
" Wm Davis } District-Committe

Voted George Athearn } South East district
John Johnson } School Committe
Bernard Luce

Voted that James Cottle } Holmes hole School
Timothy Luce Jr } District Committe

Voted that Elijah Hillman be the Town agent to Prosecute or defend Sutes that may be brought for or against the Town of Tisbury to final Judgement

Voted that the Selectmen be A Committe to report to the next adjourned Meeting what money it is nessessary to be raised by the Town for the Support of the Poor and Town Schools and other Incidental Charges for the year ensueing

Voted that Elijah Hillman George Athearn and Charles Smith be A committe respecting the adopting of Some measures for improving and assertaing the bounderies and giveing their oppinion of the quantity of the Lands called the plain Lands belonging to the Town of Tisbury and to examine the Records and assertain if the Personage in Sd Town is Towns property and if it is Towns property to recommend Some measure for the taking possession of and appropriating the Same for the use of the Poor of Said Town

Voted that all Persons be prohibited from drawing A Seine in Chapaquonsot Pond or within the Distance on the Shore to the eastward of Said Ponds Creek of A large rock on the Sea Shore near where the old Saltworks Stood and not nearer to the West ward of Said creek than Isaac Luce Salt works mill — Shall any Person draw A Seine under the penalty of five dollars for each offence and the one half of Said fine to go to the complainant and the other half to the use of the Poor of the town and that the Town Clerk be caused this Vote to be Sent to the Court of Sessions for their approbation

A copy of this Vote was duly fowarded to the Court of Sessions for May term y 1825

Voted that Benjamin Allen Winthrop Luce & Presbery Norton be A Committe to Settle the late Selectmen and Town Treasurers Books

Voted that this meeting Stand adjourned until the fourth day of May next at 2 o clock in the afternoon

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury on May th4 y 1825 for the purpose of chooseing A Representative to Represent the Town in the General Court to be held on the last Wednesday of May y 1825 it was Voted that it was inexpedient to Send or choose A Representative the present year

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting held on april th18 y 1825 the Inhabitants Voters of the Town of Tisbury meet at the Meeting House in the east Parish on May th 4 y 1825 the Moderator being present opened the Meeting and the following Votes were taken Viz and passed in the affirmative

Voted that the Sum of Eleven Hundred dollars be raised and assessed on the Inhabitants for to meet the expences of the Town the ensueing year Viz

For Town Schools two Hundred Dollars	$200.
For Support of the Poor and Contingent expences	800.
For paying Intrist Money and Towns debts as far as it will go	100,
	$1100

Voted that Elijah Hillman, George Athearn & Charles Smith be A Committe to consider the expediencey of Selling or improving and useing

the Herring Fisheries of the Town and report to the Town as soon as convenient their oppinion of the best method of Disposing or improving the Said Fisheries and what the probable income to the Town may be

Voted that Charles Smith & Thomas H. Smith be authorized and acquired to inform the Selectmen of All Violations of the law respecting the taking of Clams from their Beds by Transient Persons for Such information they Shall receive the one half of the fines imposed by law for Such information

Voted that Elijah Hillman George Athearn & Charles Smith be A committe to consider the propriety of Petitioning the General Court (provided that New Bedford Should be made A County) to have our Court of Appeals to be held in New Bedford in lieu of Barnstable and to Correspond with the other Towns of the County of Dukes County and New Bedford to that effect

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned until the Second Wednesday of June at 3 P M to receive the report of the committees

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the East Parish of Tisbury on day of May in the year 1825 Pursuant to A Vinire from the clerk of the court of common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the first Monday after the fourth Monday of May Instant for the purpose of drawing five discreet persons for Grand Jurors for the Insueing year and four discreet persons for Traverse Jurors to Serve at Said Court at Said May term and the following persons were drawn Viz Hiram Chase. Prince Rogers.

Benjamin Athearn th 3d Charles Smith
& Seth Daggett for Grand Jurors —
and Nathan Smith Eliakem Norton William Ferguson Jur & Peter Norton for Traverse Jurors, as pr report of Wm Downs Clerk Pro tem

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a A Vinire from Abner Davis Esqur Clerk of the Supreme Court at Barnstable dated the fifth day of March y 1825 drected to Timothy Luce Jr one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury directing him to Warn a meeting to draw Jurors one of Sufficent abillity and A good moral Character to Serve as Grand Juror and one good Man of the like qualifications to Serve as Traverse Juror to attend at the Supreme Court to be holden at Barnstable the first tuesday in May y1825 and the

Meeting was duly Warned and Legaly held and the following Persons were drawn as Jurors Viz

Benjamin Reynolds as Grand Juror
Jethro Hillman Traverse Juror
May 18th y 1825
attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the east Parish of Said Town on May th23 y1825 for the purpose of drawing one grand Juryman to Serve at the Court of pleas as Stated above in lieu of Benjamin Athearn th3d who was not to be found by the Constible and William Davis was drawn to Serve as A Grand Juror for the year ensueing

Attest W^M^ Cottle, *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting held on May th4 y 1825 the Inhabitants meet in the East Parish of Tisbury on June th8 y 1825 the Moderator being absent and but few People attending the Clerk opened the Meeting read the report of the Committe and A Vote was taken to adjourn the Meeting until the first Monday in September and passed in the affirmative

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly warned agreable to the constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Sd Tisbury on Wednesday the thirty first day of august y 1825 for the Purpose of taking A Vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow Certain Sums of Money to pay Sundry Persons back debts due them from Said Town — the Warrant being read by the Town Clerk and Stephen Skiff was Voted to be Morderator and the following Votes were taken and passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted that the Town Treasurer hire the Sum of five hundred dollars upon the credit of the Town and give Treasurey Notes in behalf of the Town for the Same bearing Intrist from the date and appropriate the Said Sum to the Payment of the Most presing demands against the Said Town of Tisbury

Voted — that the Town Treasurer be authorized to receive into the Treasurey after the tenth day of October next all Town orders which may have been issued Six Months previous to Such presentation and

Issue Treasurey Notes in behalf of the Town for the Same bearing Intrist from Said tenth day of october next — and no Notes to be issued for A less sum than twenty Dollars

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to A Vinire from Cornelius Merchant Esqu Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown in Dukes County on the Monday after the fourth Monday of October in y 1825 to draw four Jurors to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors A Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury having been duly warned they Mett with the Selectmen and Town Clerk at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^d^ Tisbury on Sauterday the twenty Second day of october y 1825 and the following Persons were drawn to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors Viz

Daniel Manter
Thomas Waldron
Jerimiah Crowell
Jacob Clifford
} Traverse Jurors

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Friday the twenty Seventh day of January in the year eighteen Hundred and twenty Six being duly warned agreable to laws and constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the Petition of ten Freeholders to designate what part of Holmes hole harbour A Peir that is contemplated to be built by the General Goverment Should be placed and report to the Hon John Reed Eqr Menber of Congress their oppinion of the Same

Elijah Hillman Esqur was Chosen Moderator and the following votes passed in the affirmative Viz Voted that the Peir be located in the iner Harbour above the flat on the West Side and above the line drawn from the West flat to A Certain point on the Beach about S.E. $^1/_2$ S from the Said West flatt as the line as drawn on A chart of the Harbour by Capt Seth Daggett

Voted that the Meeting be adjourned for fifteen Minutes

At the experiation of the fifteen Minutes the meeting was opened and the House called to order by the Morderator A Vote was taken by yeas and Nays — to reconsider the Vote respecting the Peir being located in the uper Harbour and was negatived — the Yeas & Nays were as follows

for reconsidering the Vote the yeas ware

Richard Luce	1
Thomas Dunham	1
Thomas H Smith	1
John Holmes	1
Benjamin Dexter	1
Elijah Smith	1
Jethro Hillman	1
Timothy Chase	1
Isaac Winslow	1
Abijah Luce	1
Freeman Norton	1
Trustram Luce	1
William Smith	1
Matthew Merry	1
John West	1
James D Peakes	1
Franklin Smith	1
total yeas	17

not to reconsider the Vote the Nays were

Shubal Dunham	1	Jeremiah Cromwell	1
Seth Daggett	1	Lathrop Merry	1
James Cottle	1	Jonathan Manter	1
William Downs	1	Elisha Dunham	1
John Lewis	1	Benjamin Reynolds	1
Peter West	1	William Dunham	1
Ira Dexter	1	John Luce	1
William Downs Jr	1	William Daggett	1
Benjamin Reynolds	1	Thomas Robinson	1
Oliver Crosby	1	Obed Coffen	1
James Smith	1	Benjamin Reynolds	1
Warren Cleveland	1	William Cottle	1
Charles West	1	Elijah Hillman	1
Jonathan Luce	1	Presbery Luce	1
George Dunham	1		
Lemuel Luce	1		14
George Smith	1		17
	17	total Nays	31

Voted in the affirmative that the above names be entered on the Town record

Voted that thare be chosen A Committe of Seven Men to discignate and mark out on the Chart the place where the Peir ought to be placed in the Heard of the Harbour of Holmes Hole above the line marked on the Chart

Voted that Seth Daggett, Peter West, Trustram Luce, William Cottle, Thomas H Smith, Jethro Hillman and Jonathan Luce be the Committe to disignate the place in the Head of the Harbour above the line marked on the Chart where the Peir Should be placed and make their report to the Town at the adjourned meeting

Voted that the Chart presented the Town by Capt Seth Daggett be accepted and the Chart kept amongst the Archeives of the Town

Voted that this meeting Stand adjourned unto tuseday the thirty first of January year eighteen hundred and twenty six at one o clock in the afternoon

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting on Friday the 27 day of January y 1826 the Male Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on thuesday January 31th y 1826 at one P. M — the Morderator being Present the House was called to order and the meeting opened and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted to except the report of the Committe and the place disignated and Marked on the Chart by the Majority of the Committe where the Peir Should be placed in the uper part of Holmes hole Harbour and passed in the affirmative

Voted that Elijah Hillman Esqu. Capt Seth Daggett and Mr George Dunham be the Towns Committe to correspond with Hon John Reed Esqr Member of Congress relative to the Said Pier and to transmitt to him the doings of this Meeting and the Chart with the marked spot on it for the place of the Peir

Voted that the Committe mark on the Small Chart the place for the Peir on the Same Spot that has been disignated by the Committe and is marked on the Chart now before the meeting and the Small Chart to be forward to the Hon John Reed

A Vote was taken to enter the report of the Committe on the records and S^{d} Vote was negatived

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day

attest W^{M} Cottle *Town Clerk*

The whole number of Children in the Town of Tisbury in March y 1826 were (Males under twenty one & Females unter eighteen five hundred & fifty nine (559) as pr returns of the Several School Committes

Number of Children in the Holmes hole District ware		291
N. W	do	78
South & S E	do	102
North Shore	do	88
		559

In the year Eighteen Hundred and twenty five thare was raised by the Town of Tisbury two hundred dollars for the Support of Town Schools $200

Proportioned as follows Viz

Holmes Hole District		104 = 11½
N W	do	27 – 90½
South & S E	do	36 = 49½
North Shore	do	31 – 48½
		$200 – 00

Attest William Cottle, *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Laws and Constitution of this Commonwealth to Vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor Senators and Councilers on Monday the third day of April in the year 1826 at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury and the following Persons were Voted for governor Lieutenant Governor & Senators & councilers and the Votes were Sorted recorded & Sealed in open Town Meeting as the Law directs

Viz For Governor His Excellency Levi Lincoln	forty Votes	40
" " Hon Samuel Hubbard	three	3

For councilers & Senators

John Mason	forty Six Votes		46
Solomon Pratt	forty two	do	42
Joseph Tripp	twenty two	do	22
James A Jones	thirty seven	do	37
Matthew Mayhew	five	do	5
Echobed Norton	Seven	do	7
John Hancoch	one	do	1
Solomon Mason	four	do	4
Joseph Rotch	five	do	5

Attest William Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified agreable Laws and Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in the Choice of Town officers raise Money for to defrey the expences of the Town and other Town affairs on Monday the the third day of april y 1826 at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Sd Tisbury and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted Benjamin Allen to be Morderator
" William Cottle to be Town Clerk
" Trustram Luce
" John P. Norton } to be Selectmen
" George Athearn

Voted that the Town Treasurer have eight dollars for his Services the ensueing year

Voted James Cottle to be Treasurer of the Town

Voted to but one Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury

Voted John Cottle to be Collector of Taxes and to have for his Services three pr ct on the amount of Taxes

Voted George Dunham
Jabez Luce
Benjamin Dexter } to be Constables
Eliakem Norton

Voted Elijah Hillman
Seth Daggett
Thos Dunham } to be Health Committe
Thos H. Smith
John Holmes

Voted Matthew Merry.
" Charles Look.
" Wm S. Vincent. } Surveyors of Highway
" Elijah Hillman.

Voted Trustram Luce
Charles Look
John Cottle } Fence Veiwers.
Bernard Luce
Samuel Thompson

Voted Bartlett Allen
William Downs
John Holmes } Titheing Men
William Lambert.
William S. Vincent.

Voted Abijah Hammett } Pound keepers.
Shubal Merry }

Trustram Luce
Edmund Crowell
Alfred Norton } Feild Drivers.
Jerimiah Manter
Whitten Manter

Voted James Cottle
Trustram Weeks
John Lambert
William Andrews } Surveyors of Lumber
William Harding
Ervin Luce

and all the preceeding Votes passed in the affirmative

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to the first tuesday in May next at two oclock in the afternoon

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Law and Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in Town affairs on Monday the third day of April y 1826 at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury and the following Persons were Voted for as County Treasurer and Register of Deeds for County

Treasurer	Peter Norton 3^d^	had forty one	Votes	41
"	William Jernigen "	Nineteen	do	19
"	George Athearn "	two	do	2
For Regester of Deeds	Samuel Smith	had fifty	Votes	50

attest William Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury on May ^th^1 y 1826 at the Meeting House in Holmes hole pursuant to A legal Notice of the Selectmen for the Purpose of regulating the Jury Box Samuel Daggett was Chosen Morderator

William Fergursen
Seth Daggett } were Chosen A Committe to regulate the Jury Box
Lathrop Merry

Voted that the 174 names returned by the committe to regulate the Jury Box as eligable Jurors be excepted passed in the affirmative

Voted that this meeting be adjourned without day

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

"Pursuant to A Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be held at Barnstable May term for y 1826 Benjamin Dexter one of the Constable of the Town of Tisbury duly notified the Inhabitants of Said Town to meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Town on Monday the first day of May y 1826 for the purpose of chooseing one Suitable Man for A Grand Juror and one Suitable Man for A traverse Juror to Serve at Said Barnstable Court the Inhabitants meet at the time and place and

Bartlett Pease Jur was Chose Grand Juror
Bartimus Luce was Chose Travers Juror
attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held on may the third y 1826 the Inhabitants assembled at the Meeting House in the West Parish on tuesday the Second day of May y 1826 at 2 o clock in the afternoon the Moderator being present the following Votes were taken and passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted that thare Should be eight Men for School Committe

Voted that Trustram Luce	be the Committe
" Nathan Smith	for Holmes hole District
Voted that John Cottle	be the Committe
" Alfred Norton	for North Shore District
Voted that Presbury Norton	be the Committe
James Cleveland	for the N W District
Voted that David Look	be the committe
" Abijah Hammett	for the South and S E Districts

Voted that Lathrop Merry and Warren Lewis be Feild Drivers

Voted that Jabez Smith & Thomas H. Smith, to be fence Veiwers

Voted that Benjamin Allen } be a Committe for getting from the
" " John P. Norton } the Clerk of the Court of Sessions for Dukes County A Copy of the Treasurer of the Countys accts for two years last past and Charge the expence to the Town of Tisbury

Voted that Peter Norton Ju
" David Look
" George Smith
" James Smith
" Oliver Grinnel Ju
" Wm Sanford Vincent
" Seth Look
} be Hog Reaves for the Town of Tisbury

Voted that George Athearn Elijah Hillman & William Davis be A Committe to Settle the Selectmen and Treasurer Books

Voted that the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars be raised and assessed on the Inhabitants for use of Town Schools

Voted that the Sum of One Thousand Dollars be raised and assessed on the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for to meet and defray the expences of the Town of Tisbury the ensueing year

Voted that Elijah Hillman be the Town of Tisbury agent for prosecuting and defending Sutes for or against the Town of Tisbury

Voted that the overseers of the Poor to Hire A House to put all the Poor in

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day

attest WILLIAM COTTLE *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the Meeting House in the West Parish on Monday May the fifteenth y1826 for the purpose of choosing A Representative to Represent the Town in the next General Court to be held on the last Wednesday of May

Voted to Send A Representative

and the whol number of Votes were forty one of which John P. Norton had thirty one Votes and was declared to be elected A Representative to the Next General Court

Voted Samuel Daggett
" William Ferguson
" Elijah Hillman
" Benjamin Allen
" Peter Norton

} to be A Committe to advise the Representative what business the Intrist of the Town requires to be acted on the ensueing year in the General Court

attest W^M^ COTTLE *Town Clerk*

At A legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the West Parish of S^d^ Tisbury at the Meeting House on the 22 day of May at 2 o'clock in the afternoon in the year 1826 and the following Votes passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted that George Athearn Esqur be Morderator

Voted John P. Norton Clerk pro tem

Voted that the overseers act in A manner that will be most conducive to the Town Intrist with the regard to the Poor in manner as they Shall See fit

Voted that John P Norton write to his friend in New York for further information relative to the Wooster Family

Voted that George Dunham be Pound Keeper in Holmes Hole as pr returns of the Clerk Pro tem

attest W^M^ COTTLE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to A Notice of Benjamin Dexter one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury waring A Town Meeting for the Choice of five Jurors to Serve as Grand Jurors and five Jurors to Serve as Traverse Jurors at the Court of Common Please to be holden at Edgartown of the fifth Monday of May Inst. — the Inhabitants meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish in Tisbury on Monday at one o clock in the afternoon on May 23th y 1826 (after the Meeting for regulating the Jury Box) and drawed out of the Jury Box the following Persons to Seven as Jurors Viz

David Look	Grand Jurors
Abijah Athearn	
Thomas Cathcart	
James Look	
Stephen Luce	
Peter Norton 3d.	Traverse Jurors
John Cottle	
Ira Dexter	
William Downs	
James Cottle	

attest W^M^ COTTLE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to A Notice of Benjamin Dexter one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury warning A Town Meeting for the choice of four Persons to Serve as Traverse Jurors at Court of Common Pleas to be held at Edgartown in Dukes County of the Second Monday of October next the Inhabitants meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish in Said Tisbury on Monday the 25th day of September y 1826 at two o clock in the afternoon and the following Persons were drawn to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors Viz

Jabez Luce. Jonathan Athearn Jr Charles Look & Ervin Luce

attest W^M^ COTTLE *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for A Representative to Congress of the United States at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on November th 6 y 1826 it being the first Monday of Said Month and the following Persons were Voted for Viz

Hon John Reed twenty Votes	20
" Walter Folger three	3
" John P. Norton Esqur one	1

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, duly qualified by the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and councilors on Monday the Second day of April y 1827 at the East Parish of Said Tisbury and the following Persons were Voted for Governor, Lieutant Governor Senators & counclers and the Votes were Sorted counted recorded and Sealed in open Town Meeting as the Law directs Viz

For his Exellency Levi Lincoln for Governor Forty Eight Votes	48
" William C. Jarvis Esqur do four	4
For Lieutenant Governor	
Hon Thomas L. Winthrop Forty Eight	48
For Senators & Councilors	
Joseph Tripp Sixteen	16
William Wood thirteen	13
Noah Claflin thirteen	13
George Athearn five	5
John Hancock five	5
Echobed Norton Sixteen	16
Matthew Mayhew twelve	12
William Davis Eleven	11
Thomas L. Winthrop one	1

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Monday the Second day of April y 1827 duly qualified to Vote for County Treasurer by the

Constitution & laws of this Commonwealth the follow Persons were Voted for

Viz For County Treasurer

George Athearn Esqu had	twenty Six	Votes	26
William Jernigen Esqu	fourteen	do	14
Seth Daggett Esqur	one	do	1

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^d^ Tisbury on Monday the Second day of April in the yr 1827 for the Choice of Town officers and to raise Money for Town Schools Support of the Poor and to meet the Current expences of the Town the ensueing year the following Votes were taken and passed in the affirmative and officers choose were as follows viz

Voted Benjamin Allen Esqur Morderator
" William Cottle Town Clerk
" Trustram Luce
" John P. Norton } Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor
" George Athearn
" James Cottle, Town Treasurer

Voted that the Salary of the Town Treasurer Shall be eight dollars pr Annum

Voted George Dunham
" Eliakem Norton
" William S. Vincent } to be Town Constable
" Benjamin Dexter
" Jabez Luce

Voted that thare be but one Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury the year Ensueing

Voted Jerimiah Crowell
" William Downs
" John Holmes
" Edmund Crowell } Titheingmen
" Peter Norton Ju
" Zachariah Smith
" Isaac Luce

Voted Elijah Hillman
" Seth Daggett } be A Health Committe
" Thos Dunham

Voted, that the Petition of Wm S. Vincent & others for A new School District, be laid on the Table

Voted Thomas Dunham
" Elijah Hillman } be A Committe to examine the order of Notice on the Herring Fishery from the General Court and to make their report at the Adjournment
" Alfred Norton

Voted Elijah Hillman
" Matthew Merry } Surveyors of Highways
" Belcher Athearn

Voted James Cottle
" William Andrews } Surveyors of Lumber
" Trustram Weeks

Voted Tristram Luce
" Charles Look
" Bernard Luce } Fence Veiwers
" Matthew Lambert

Voted Tristram Luce
" Thomas H. Smith
" Jethro Hillman
" Shubal Merry
" Matthew Merry } Field Drivers
" George Athearn
" Wm S. Vincent
" Shubal Weeks.
" Wm Davis.

Voted Charles Smith
" Abijah Hammett } Pound Keepers

Voted Charles Smith
" Seth Daggett
" Thomas Dunham
" Thomas Cathcart
" Abijah Luce } Hog Reves
" Benjamin Dexter
" John Cottle
" David Look
" Benjamin Allen

Voted Charles Smith
" Seth Daggett
" Elijah Hillman
} be A Committe to Settle with the Town Treasurer & Selectmen and to report on the Same at the adjourned Meeting

Voted, that this Meeting Stand adjourned to the fourth Monday of April Inst, y 1827 at one P M

Attest, Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to A Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court to be holden at Barnstable May term y 1827 Eliakim Norton one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury duly Notified the Inhabitants of Said Town to Meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Monday th 23 day of April y 1826 for the purpose of Choosing One Suitable Man as a grand Juror and one Suitable Man to Serve as A Traverse Juror at Said Court, the Inhabitants Meet at the Time & place and the following Persons were drawn to Serve at Sd Court from the Juror Box

Viz William Furgeson — Grand Juror
Willard Luce — Traverse Juror

Pursuant to the Adjourned Town Meeting of April th2 y1827 unto April the fourth Monday being the 23d. of Said Month at A one P. M. the Inhabitants Meet the Morderator being present, opened the Meeting and the following Votes were passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted Richard Luce
Edmund Crowell
} be added to the Health Committe

Voted John Lambert Surveyor of Lumber

" that the first Section of the report of the Committe on the Chopoquonsett Herring Fishery — to remonstrate Against the Petition of John P Norton and twelve others (as pr order of Notice from the General Court) be accepted

" that A Committe be chosen to draw A remonstrance against the Petition of John P Norton and twelve others and that
Thomas Dunham
Elijah Hillman and
Seth Daggett be that committe
to draw that remonstrance against the Said Petition of John P Norton and others above named

Voted that the Second Section of the Herring Fishery be not excepted

Voted that the last Vote be reconsidered

" that George Athearn Esqur be the Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury for the year ensueing and to have for his Services three & three eighths pr Cent on the whole Sums assessed upon the Town

Voted that George Athearn, Thomas Dunham & Daniel Fisher be the School Committe for the Town

Voted that Seth Daggett be the prudential School committe for the Holmes hole District

" that Matthew Merry, be the prudential School committe for the North Shore District

" that James Cleveland be the prudential School committe for the N W. District

" that Belcher Athearn be the prudential School Committe for the South & South East district

" that Six hundred Dollars be assessed and raised in the Town for the Support of the Poor of Sd Town of Tisbury.

Voted that Four hundred Dollars be assessed and raised in the Town of Tisbury for the Support of Town Schools

" that three hundred Dollars be assessed and raised in the Town of Tisbury to pay the Intrist money due from Sd Town to individials and Towns debts and Incidental Charges

" that this meeting be Adjourned unto the Second Monday in May at 2 P M

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting of April th23 y 1827 to the Second Monday of May th14 at 2 P M the Inhabitants meet the Morderator being Present the meeting was opened and the following Votes were taken Viz

Voted that William S Vincent, Abijah Hammett, Edmund Crowell, Lemuel Luce — be titheing Men in Lieu of those chosen at the Annual Meeting

Voted that John Cottle, Charles Look, James Cleveland — be fence Viewers in lieu of those Chosen at the Annual Meeting — Excepting Trustram Luce

Voted that James Cottle, Trustram Weeks, John Lambert — be Surveyers of lumber with Wm Andrews chosen at the anuel Meeting

Voted that Matthew Manter, Zackariah Smith, Pressberry Norton, Lathrop Merry, Joseph Smith — be field Drivers with Trustram Luce and Thomas H. Smith and Jethro Hillman and in lieu of those chosen at the Anuel meeting that were not Sworn

Voted to receive the report of the Committe for Petitioning the General Court against the Petition of John P Norton and others and that the Said remenstrance be Sent on to Said General Court

Voted that the Fisheries of Chopaquensett remain in A State of Nature as they are

Voted that the petition of William S. Vincent and others be put on the files

Voted that the Selectmen provide for the Poor in the best manner & way that they deem proper

Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned without day

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

The whole Number of children in the Town of Tisbury in August 1827 were (Males under twenty one & Females under Eighteen) Five Hundred & Fifty Seven (557) as pr returns of the different School Committes

Viz Holmes Hole School District		were children	304
North West	do	"	70
North Shore	do		83
South & S E	do		100
		Scholars	557

At the Anual Meeting of the Voters of the Town of Tisbury in the Spring of 1827 Four Hundred Dollars was Voted to be raised & assessed on the Inhabitants for the Support of Town Schools $400

Proportioned, pursuant to the Number of children in the Several Districts as follows Viz —

Holmes Hole District		$218 = 31
North West	do	50 " 27
North Shore	do	59 " 60½
South & S. E	do	71 " 81½
		$400 = 00

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Town Pursuant to A Vinire from Cornelius Merchant Esqu. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Dukes County holden at Edgartown to appoint five good Men as Grand Jurors and four good Men as Travers Jurors all to be of good Moral Character and the following Persons were drawn from the Jury Box and duly appointed Viz

Thomas H. Smith	Grand Jurors
Bernard Luce	
Abijah Hammett	
James Cleveland	
Alfred Norton	
John Holmes	Traverse Jurors
John Baxter	
Abijah Luce	
Trustram Luce	

May 1827

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

at a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury warned & Notified according to the Laws and Constitution of this Commonwealth for the purpose of Sinking a peir in Holmes Hole Harbour to lay before the Town the proposals of the Selectmen of Edgartown relative to the lines between the Towns and to take into Consideration the Petition of Sundry Inhabitants in the South East School District they meet at the meeting House in Holmes Hole on June th16 – 1827 there being but few present they organized the Meeting by choosing Elijah Hillman Esqur Morderator and Voted to a adjourn the Meeting unto Monday June th18 – 1827 one oclock in the afternoon

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Meeting on the 16 June 1827 the Inhabitants meet on Monday June th18 – 1827 at one o clock in the Meeting House at Holmes Hole the Morderator being present the Meeting was opened and the following Votes were passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted that Individuals have liberty to Sink a Peir (pursuant to a petition of Seth Daggett and six others to warn a Town meeting to have liberty to Sink a peir in Holmes Hole Harbour any where between a line due east from Samuel Daggetts House and a line due east from Thomas

Dunhams House in Said Harbour) agreeable to Said petition any where within Said limetts in depth of water not exceeding Nineteen feet

Voted that Said Peer shall not exceed in length on any one Side three Hundred feet within Said limetts.

Voted not to except the propositions of the Selectmen of Edgartown respecting the boundery line between the Towns

Voted that the Town take no further notice of the petition of Jonathan Athearn & others for a new School District as thare was not any of the petitioners in Town Meeting

Voted that this meeting be adjourned without day

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury — qualified agreable to the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of appointing Jurors at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on September th 18 = 1827 Pursuant to A Warrant or Vinire from Cornelius Merchant Esqu to George Dunham one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury to appoint four Judicious Men of good Moral character to Serve as Traverse Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of September Inst and the following Persons were drawn Viz

Presberry Norton, Matthew Merry, Peter Norton Ju^r^, and Thomas Bradley

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified to Vote for Govenor Lieutenat Governor, Senators and Councilors agreable to the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth held at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday april th7 – 1828 the following Persons were Voted for and the Votes were Sorted counted recorded & Sealed up in open Town Meeting Viz

For Governor His Excellency Levi Lincoln forty Seven Votes — 47

For Leiutenant Governor Hon Thomas L Winthrop thirty two — 32

For Senator & Councilors

Howard Lathrop eighteen	18 Votes
William Wood twenty eight	28 Votes
John A Parker twenty eight	28 do
Levit Thaxter four	4 do
John P. Norton four	4 do
Timothy Daggett one	1 do

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury on Monday the 7 day of april 1828 for the purpose of Voting for a County Treasurer the Moderator being chosen the following Persons were Voted for Viz

George Athearn had ten Votes		10
William Jernigen had twenty		20
Seth Daggett	do nine	9
Peter Norton 3d	do one	1

attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the constitution & Laws of the commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for Town officers and to Vote money to be assessed to defray the expences of the Town and other Town affairs on Monday the Seventh day of april – 1828 at ½ past two o clock P M at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury and the following Votes were taken and passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted John P Norton to be Moderator

" William Cottle to be Town Clerk

" Trustram Luce
" John P. Norton } to be Selectmen
" Matthew Lambert

" that the Town Treasurer have for his Services the ensueing year Eight Dollars and one dollar extra for each and every execution that he Shall issue against delinquent Collectors

Voted James Cottle to be Town Treasurer and give bonds in the Sum of Two Thousand dollars for the faithfull performance of his duty

" Jabez Luce
Charles Smith
George Dunham } Constables
Shubal Luce

Voted that the Selectmen be a committe to cut twenty Loads of Wood off the plain Lands and Cut the Said quantity and deliver the Same to the use of the Poor

Voted on the Petition of the Selectmen Viz Trustram Luce & George Athearn and James Rogers & Eighteen others have liberty to erect two gates across the Town Road petioned for

Voted the Petition of Seth Daggett and others be laid on the table until an adjourned Meeting

" the Sum for Collecting Taxes be Sold at auction and was Sold to David Look at two and Six Eights 2&$^{6}/_{8}$ pr Cent on the Sum assesed, he to give bonds in the Sum of three Thousand dollars to the Town

Voted James Cottle, Trustram Weeks, William Andrews, John Lambert — to be Surveyors of Lumber

" Bernard Luce, Ervin Luce, Charles Look, Samuel Thompson, Trustram Luce — to be Fence Veiwers

" Thomas Dunham, Willard Luce, Charles Smith, Ervin Luce — Hog Reeves

" John Luce, Abijah Hammett — Pound keepers

" Charles Smith, Trustram Luce, John Hursell, Abijah Luce sworn, Hovey Luce, Abijah Athearn, James Look, Willard Luce — to be Field Drivers

Thomas Dunham, Daniel Fisher, John P Norton — to be central school committe.

Stephen Luce, Bernard Luce, John Cottle — Prudential Committe for the South district N W and North Shore Districts

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to the Second Monday of May next at 2 P. M

Attest Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Town on Monday th28 1818 day of april — having been duly warned according to Law for the purpose of regulating the Jury Box it was

Voted that Thomas H Smith be Moderator

Voted that the list prepared be accepted as reported by the Selectmen and their respective names be put into the Jury Box which was done in open town meeting

Voted that this be adjourned without day

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal meeting held in the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Monday the 28 day of april 1828 duly warned for the purpose of drawing Jurors for to attend the Supreme Judicial Court at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable and Dukes County duly warned by George Dunham a Constable of the Town of Tisbury pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of Said Court and the following Persons were duly drawn Viz

Joseph Look Ju and was returned into the Box by a Vote of the Town on account of his supposed absence.

Shubal Luce to be Grand Juror

Eliakem Norton to be Traverse Juror

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

To William Cottle Esqur Town Clerk of Tisbury we the Subscribers freeholders inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury do hereby Protest against the Vote that passed at the Town Meeting holden in Said Town on the Seventh day of april Instant relative to licensing Hovey Luce to Set Gates on the road between his Land and the Land of Jonathan Athearn and we further Say that Said Vote was unconstitutional and contrary to both common and Statute Law and that no town in its corporate capacity has A right to rase money for any purposes except those Set forth by the Legislature and we declare that the Said Vote has a tendancey to raise contentions in the Said Town and in the Religious Societies that meet in the Same we therefore humbly. pray and request you to enter this our protest on the records of the Said Town and to read the Same at the adjournment of the Said meeting or to hand it to the Morderator for that purpose that the town may if the Inhabitants

Should See Cause have oppertunity to reconsider the Said Vote which we desire may not continue a Stigma to us and to our offspring and a disgrace to the Town in all future generations we will not pay any expence that may be assesed in consiquence of the Said illegal Vote nor any proportion of cost to the Town of Tisbury that may arise by reason of the Said Vote Tisbury april th15–1828 Signed

Benjamin Athearn	Solomon Athearn	
James Look	John	
Wm S Vincent	Williard Luce	
William Lambert	Robert Athearn	
John P Norton	Jonathan Athearn Jur	
Seth Allen	Moses Crosby	
Shubal Weeks	Noah Waldron	
Matthew Merry	Peter Norton	
Horatio G Norton	Timothy Chase	
David Look	Eliakem Norton	
Joseph Allen	Matthew Lambert	
James Cleveland	William Look	
Jabez Luce	Sanderson Manter	
Benjamin Allen	Matthew Manter	Bernard Luce
Matthew Manter Ju	Belcher Athearn	Richard Luce
Jerimiah Manter	Jonathan Lambert	Elijah Hillman
Alex Newcombe	Robert Look	

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury agreable to a Notice of Jabez Luce one of the constables of the town of Tisbury Pursuant to a Vinire from the clerk of the Court of Pleas to be holden at Edgartown dated april th8 1828 to draw five Men to Serve at Said Court as Grand Jurors and four Men to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors all of good Moral Character the Inhabitants meet according to the above Notice on May th12 – 1828 at 1/2 past 12 o clock at the Meeting House in the west Parish of Said Tisbury and the following Persons were drawn to Serve as Jurors Viz

John Tilton
William Lambert
Trustram Weeks
Matthew Lambert
Jonathan Luce Jur
} Grand Jurors

Lathrop Merry
Joseph Look Jur
John Johnson
Seth Daggett
} Traverse Jurors

Attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

A a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday May th 12 at one o clock in the afternoon for the Choise of a Representative to represent the Town of Tisbury in the Next General Court and it was Voted not to Send a Representative

attest William Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned anual Town Meeting of april th7–1828 the Inhabitants meet at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury at 2 P M on May 12–1828 the Morderator Called the House to order and the following Votes were taken and passed in the affirmative Viz Voted Charles Smith, Alfred Norton & Abijah Hammett to be Surveyors of higways

Voted Elijah Hillman
Thomas Dunham
Jonathan Luce Ju
Alfred Norton
Trustram Luce
} Health Committe

Voted Zackariah Smith
Benjamin Cleveland
Joseph Smith
Lemuel Luce
Warren Lucas
Shubal Dunham
George Athearn
} Tithingmen

Voted Charles Smith to be Prudential committe for the Holmes District

Voted that the Petition of Elijah Hillman and others respecting deviding the Holmes Hole School district that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition

Voted to raise and asses on the Inhabitants of Said Town of Tisbury the Sum of three hundred dollars for the Support of Town Schools

Voted that there be raised and assesed on the Inhabitants of the

Town of Tisbury for the Support of the Poor and other Incidental charges of the Town one thousand Dollars

Voted that the article in the Warrant respecting Petetioning the Legislature to Send a committe to affix the line between Edgartown and Tisbury be indefinitely postponed

Voted that the Selectmen be a committe to treat with the Selectmen of Edgartown to affix a permanent Line between the Two Towns and to petition the general court for the Same purpose if nessesary

Voted that the Vote passed at the last anual Meeting on the Petition of the Selectmen and James Rogers and eighteen others to erect two Gates across the Town Road Petitioned for — be expunged from the Record

Voted that the thanks of the House be given to the Morderator for his patient and impartial conduct during the time that he has presided over the Meetings

Voted that Meeting be adjourned without day

attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified by the Laws & constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury on Tuesday at 2 P M September th16 1828

Voted David Look to be Morderator

Voted John P Norton tendered his resignation as one of the Selectmen and Assesors and the Town refused to except his resignation on taking the Vote it was negatived

Voted that thare be One Hundred Dollars assesed and raised on the Inhabitants of Sd Tisbury the ensueing year in addition to three Hundred allready Voted to be assesed for the Support and use of Town Schools

Voted that this meeting be adjourned without day

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting held at the old Meeting House in the West Parish in Tisbury on the 20th September y 1828 for the Purpose of drawing Traverse Jurors for to Serve at the Court of pleas to be holden at Edgartown & for the County of Dukes County the following Persons were drawn to Serve as Traverse Jurors Viz Bartlet Allen. Elijah Luce Shubal Dunham Freeman Gray as pr returns of Jabez Luce clerk pro Tem

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the West Parish of Sd Town on Monday November th3 1828 being the first Monday of Said Month Pursuant to an act of the General court of the commonwealth of Massachusetts passed June 10 y 1828 directing the Manner of Voting for electors of President and Vice President of the United States the Meeting having been duly Notified & Warned & the following Persons were Voted for Viz

Hon Nathan Willis of Pittsfield Berkshire	Nine Votes		9
" David Henshaw Suffolk	Nine	do	9
" Thomas L Winthrop do	Eight		8
" Samuel Lathrop West Springfield	Eight		8

Electors at Large

Electors for Suffolk District		
John R Simpson Esqur of Boston	Nine Votes	9
Hon Jesse Putnam do	eight	8
Electors for Essex South District		
Coln Josiah Newhall of Linfield	Nine	9
Hon Stephen White " Salem	Eight	8
Electors for Essex North District		
John Russ Esqur of Menthuen	Nine	9
Hon Bayley Bartlett of Haverill	eight	8
Electors for Middlesex District		
Hon William Austin of Charleston	Nine	9
" Nathan Chandler Lexington	eight	8
Electors for Worcester South District		
Hon Jonas Sibley of Sutton	Nine	9
Gen Jonathan Davis oxford	Eight	8
Electors for Worcester North District		
William Willard Esqur of Lancaster	Nine	9
Hon Silas Hollman of Boston	Eight	8
Electors for Franklin District		
John Dewry Esqur of Coleraine	Nine	9
Colr Eliel Gilbert Greenfield	eight	8
Electors for Hamden District		
Gen Joseph M Forward of Southwick	Nine	9
Hon Joshua Frost Springfield	Eight	8
Electors for Berkshire District		
Hon Phineas Allen of Pittsfield	Nine	9
" Samuel Jones Esqur Stockbridge	Eight	8

Electors for Norfolk District

Hon Ebenezer Seaver of Roxbury	Nine	9
" Edward H Robins Milton	Eight	8

Electors for Plymouth District

Hon Peter H Peirce of Middlebourgh	Nine	9
" Seth Sprauge Duxbury	Eight	8

Electors for Bristol District

Elieu Daggett Jur Esqur of attlebourough	Nine	9
Hon Oliver Starkweather of Pawtuckett	Eight	8

Electors for Barnstable District

John P. Norton Esqur of Tisbury	Nine	9
Hon Braddock Dimmick of Falmouth	Eight	8

Signed JOHN P NORTON } *Selectmen men*
MATTHEW LUMBERT } *of Tisbury*

as pr returns of William Dunham clerk pro tem to the Town Clerk
W^M. COTTLE *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

At A legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Laws and Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for A Representative to the United States Congress at the Meeting House in the West Parish of S^d. Tisbury at 3 o clock on Monday November ^th3–1828 being the first Monday of Sd Month and the following Persons were Voted for Viz

Ichebod Norton Esqur thirteen Votes		13
Hon John Reed	three do	3

As pr returns of Wm Dunham clerk pro Tem to the Town Clerk
W^M. COTTLE *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in Town affairs assembled at the Meeting House in the West Parish of S^d Tisbury on Monday the 3^d. day of November 1828 at $^1/_2$ past 3 oclock in the afternoon pursuant to a Warrant from the Selectmen the following Votes were passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted John P Norton to be Morderator

2^d article in the Warrant not acted on

3^d do liberty is given to retain Mooring Bouys and place them in Holmes Hole Harbour

4th article committe think probable they may cut Wood on the plains

5th article not acted on and adjourned to the annual Town Meeting — Meeting adjourned Sign Dieu as pr returns made to Wm Cottle the Town Clerk by William Dunham Clerk Pro tem

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the laws and constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts for the Purposes Set forth in the Warrant Viz to Sell the Estate of Certain Ediots, and to prevent Seining in Holmes Hole Harbour Laugone Pound Chopoquonseett Pond and on the Shores of the Vineyard Sound and to Petition the General Court for the Same & to appoint John Fish Esqu and two other Gentlemen of Falmouth to run the lines between Tisbury and Edgartown and affix Permanent Bounds — Meet at the Meeting House in Holmes Hole on February the third at one oclock in the afternoon and the following were passed Viz

1st Voted Charles Smith to be Morderator

2d Voted that it was inexpedent to act on the Idiots Land business

3d Voted to choose a committe to petition the General Court to prevent Seining as above expressed

4th Voted that the Selectmen be a Committe to petition the General court to appoint John Fish Esqur of Falmouth & two others of Falmouth to affix Permanent bounds between Tisbury and Edgartown

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned without day

Wm Cottle *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Qualified by the laws and Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for Governor Lieu tennant Governor Councilers & Senators held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Sd Tisbury on Monday april th6 1829 at one o clock in the afternoon and the following Votes were Sorted counted & Sealed in open Town Meeting Viz

For Levi Lincoln for Governor thirty one Votes

" Marcus Morton do twenty one do

Thomas L Winthrop for Lieutenant Governor twenty three Votes

Nathan Willis	for	do	do	Sixteen	do
George Dunham	do	do	do	one	do
Marcus Morton	do	do	do	one	do
Matthew Manter		do	do	one	do

For Councilors and Senators

Howard Lathrop	had	four	Votes
John P Norton	do	Thirty two	do
John A Parker	do	Eight	do
John Hancock	do	Twenty five	do
Theodore G. Mayhew	do	twenty eight	do
Echobed Norton	do	two	do
Thomas Dunham	do	one	do

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk* —

At legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified to Vote for County Treasurer held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of said Tisbury on the Sixth day of April 1829 at half past one P. M and the follows vote was taken — John P. Norton to be Moderator and the following Person were Voted for as Treasurer Viz

Matthew Manter Jun	— Fifty three	— Votes
William Jernigen	— Ten	— do
Peter Norton 3^d^	— one	— do
Thomas Dunham	— one	— do
George Athearn	— Five	— do

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to Vote in Town affairs by the laws and constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts — assembled at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Tisbury on Monday the Sixth day of April 1829 at two O'clock P M — and the following Votes ware passed in the affirmative Viz

John P Norton was choose Moderator

William Cottle Town Clerk & sworn

Matthew Lambert
John P Norton
Jonathan Luce Jr
} Selectmen and assessors

Voted that the Town Treasurer have Eight dollars for his Services the ensueing year —

Voted that George Athearn be the Town Treasurer

Voted that the Number of Constables in the Town shall not exceed Four

Voted that charles Smith be a constable the ensueing year sworn
Voted " John Holmes do do do
Voted " Jabez Luce do do do sworn
Voted " Trustram Weeks do do do sworn
Voted " that Collector of Taxes have two $2^7/_8$ & Seven eighths per cent for his Services the ensueing year —

Voted that alfred Norton be the Collector of Taxes for the ensueing year — sworn

Voted that Seth Daggett and Elijah Hillman be a Committe to receive the Books of the Town Treasurer and transfer them to George Athearn the present one choosen —

Voted that Thomas Dunham be a Special agent to defend a Sute for cutting wood on the plain Lands

Voted that Elijah Hillman be the General Town agent to posecute or defend any Sutes that may be brought against the Town the ensueing year except the above respecting the plain Lands

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the first Monday of May next at 2 oclock P. M —

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of s^d^ Tisbury on April 22 – 1829 at 2 P M Persuant to a Notice of a Town Constable and his producing a Vinira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one Suitable and of a good Moral character to Serve at Said Court as a Grand Juror and one of the like good Moral Character to attend Said Court on the first tuesday in May next as a Traverse Juror and the following Persons were drawn Viz

James Cleveland for a Grand Juror
Peter Norton Jur for a Traverse Juror

W^M^ Cottle } *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the fourth day of May 1829 at one P M — duly Qualified for choosing Representatives and for the purpose of choosing a Representative and the following Persons were Voted for and John P. Norton was choosen — Viz

John P Norton	thirty four Votes	—	34
Thomas Dunham — twenty four	—	—	24
Shubal Dunham — one	—	—	1

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^d^ Tisbury at 2 P M on May the fourth 1829 persuant to the adjourned Town Meeting of April ^th^6–1829 — the Moderator being present and called the House to order and opened the Meeting and the following Votes were taken and passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted — Trustram Luce, Alfred Norton, Bernard Luce, Shubal Dunham — to be fence Viewers

Trustram Luce, Jethro Hillman, Charles Look, Hovey Luce, Belcher Athearn, Thomas Cathcart, Thomas H. Smith, John Cottle, Abijah Athearn — Field Drivers

Benjamin Dexter to be a Constable

John Holmes, Thomas Bradley, Henry P. Worth — Elijah Hillman, Thomas Dunham — Health Committe

Thomas Dunham, Daniel Fisher, John P Norton — Central School Committe and all resigned

Richard Luce, Belcher Athearn — John Cottle, William Davis — Prudential School Committe.

William Andrews — James Cottle Trustram Weeks & John Lambert — Surveyors of Lumber,

Voted

Abijah Hammett, John Cottle, charles Look — Elijah Hillman, Daniel Fisher — Surveyors of High Ways

Abijah Hammett Ira Dexter	Pound Keepers.	
		Voted Thomas Cathcart
John Cottle Jethro Hillman Thomas H. Smith Abijah Luce Charles West	Hog Reeves	William Andrews Lemuel Luce Joseph Smith William Lambert Freeman Norton Daniel T. Buffham

Thything Men

Voted that the Holmes Hole School District be devided into two School Districts agreable to a Petition of Seth Daggett and others

Voted Elijah Hillman Thomas Bradley John Holmes, William Downs & Benjamin Dexter be a committe to devide the Said Holmes Hole School Districts into two Districts

Benjamin Dexter to be the Prudential School committe for the North Holmes Hole Districts

Voted that the Sum of Eight Hundred and fifty Dollars be assessed and raised on the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for the Support of the Poor and Incidental charges for the ensueing Year —

Voted that the Sum of three Hundred dollars be assessed and raised on the Inhabitants for the Support of Town Schools —

Voted that the Sum of one Hundred dollars be assessed and raised on the Inhabitants of Tisbury in addition to the three Hundred Dollars for the Support of Town Schools

Voted that the Selectmen provide for the Maintainance of the Poor in Such Manner as they think will be for the Interest of the Town and Comfort of the Poor.

Voted that the Sum of one Hundred Dollars be assessed of the Inhabitants and raised for the repairs of Highways —

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned Sine day

W^M^ Cottle, *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Tisbury on May th6 — 1829 at 1/2 past 12 oclock Persuant to a Notice of a Town Constable and two Venires from the Clerk of the Court of Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May Inst to draw five good and Lawful Men of good Moral character to Serve at Said Court as Grand Jurors

and Four others of the Same good Qualifications in the Second Venira to Serve as Traverse Jurors and the following Persons were drawn Viz

William Furgerson
William Downs
Belcher Athearn } Grand Jurors
Trustram Luce
Charles Look

Peter Norton th3d
Nathan Smith } Traverse Jurors
David Look
James Look

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of said Town on Wednesday May 13 — 1829 Pursuant to a legal Warrant from the Selectmen for the purpose and the following Votes were passed in the affermative Viz

Voted — John P. Norton to be Morderator

Voted { Henry P Worth, Thomas Dunham, George Athearn } to be the Central School Committe

Voted — John Johnson to be the prudential School Committe for the South School District

Voted to except the report and doings of the Committe in dividing the Holmes Hole School District

Voted that Benjamin Dexter to the Prudential Committe for the North Holmes Hole School District

Voted that the Selectmen inquire whether Elizabeth Hazelton is chargeable to the Town of Tisbury and employ Council if Nessesary —

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned Sine day

Attest W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

Copy

Tisbury May th26 — 1829

To William Cottle Clerk for the Town aforesaid

we the undersigned request you to enter in the Town records the following Persons owning Real Estate in the North Shore District to wit — Lydia Chase, Roland Luce, Bartimus Luce James Roggers Ephriam Allen Thomas Cathcart Elisha Lambert Samuel Hancock Charles Smith,

John Smith Hipzebeth Luce Micaiel Daggett, Samuel Look Jerimiah Crowell, Jabez Lewis — the above named Persons are not residents in the District —

Signed — MATTHEW MERRY, JOHN COTTLE } *Assessors for the North Shore School Districts*

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in Town Meeting assembled the undersigned having at a Meeting of Said Town held May 4th — 1829 been chosen and elected a committe to Subdivide Holmes Hole or the Eastern School District into two Districts having attended their to beg leave to report that after duly considering the Matter they are led to conclude that deviding line between the two Districts Should be by Commencing at the Waters of Holmes Hole Harbour and thence West five Rods South of the Dwelling House of Mrs. Mary Merry and to Continue Said West Course to Chappoquansett Pond and so report Said Division the District to the South of said deviding line to be called and known as Holmes Hole South School District and all to the North of Said line of Division to be known & called Holmes Hole North District all which is Humbly Submitted by your most obt Servants

Signed { ELIJAH HILLMAN, WM DOWNS, THOS BRADLEY, JOHN HOLMES }

A true Copy

attest WM COTTLE { *Town Clerk* }

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury pursuant to a Vinire from Cornelius Merchant Esqr. clerk of the Court of Pleas at Edgartown to draw four Men as Jurors to serve at Said Court in the last Monday of September Inst — Said having been duly warned by Jabez Luce one of the Constables for the Town of Tisbury and the following Persons Were drawn from the Boxe —

Viz

James Rogers
John Cottle
Pressbury Norton
Ira Dexter
| Traverse Jurors

Attest WM COTTLE | *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^{d} Town on Monday 21^{d} Decbr 1829 pursuant to a Warrant from the Selectmen for the Purpose of choosing a Central School Committe and a prudential Committe for the East District and the following Votes passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted — Jonathan Luce Jur to be Morderator

" Thomas Bradley to be one of the Central School Committe for the Town of Tisbury —

Voted to ammend the Warrant in the 3^{d} section to be altered So as to read — Holmes Hole South School District in Lieu of the Eastern District —

Voted that Lathrop Merry be the Prudential Committe for the Holmes Hole South School District in Lieu of Richard Luce Resigned

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned without Day —

Wm Cottle { *Town Clerk*

At Legal Meeting of Male Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Qualified by the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to legal Notice Meet at the old Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury at one P M on Monday the fifth day of April 1830 for the purpose of Voting for Governor, Lieut Governor, Senators & Councillors and the following Votes were given in Viz

Excellency Livi Lincoln for Governor		45
	Forty five Votes	
Hon Marcus Morton — for Governor		36
	Thirty Six	
For Lieut Governor	Hon Thomas L. Winthrop Forty four	44
	Nathaniel Willis Esqr Thirty two —	
For Senators & Councillors	Hon Solomon Pratt, twenty eight	28
	Dr Jones Godfrey, twenty Eight	28
	Levitt Thaxter Esqur — Fifty	50
	Hon John A Parker twenty Eight —	28
	" Howard Lathrop Forty one —	41
	Elijah Inghram Thirty two —	32
	Joseph Tripp — one —	1

Attest Wm Cottle { *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified by the Constitution & laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

to Vote in Town affairs assembled at the old Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury at 2 oclock in the afternoon and the following Votes were passed in the affermative Viz on Monday April 5th 1830

William Davis Esqr Morderator

William Cottle to be Town Clerk

Jonathan Luce Arven Luce Matthew Lambert	to be Selectmen overseers of the Poor & assessors
George Athearn	to be Town Treasurer and to have eight dollars for his Services during the present year

For County Treasurer the following Persons were Voted for Viz —

William Jernigen	—	twenty Votes	—	20
Matthew Merry	—	nine	—	9
Matthew Manter Jur	—	Forty Seven	—	47

Trustram Luce sworn Jabez Luce sworn Eliakem Norton sworn	to be Constables

Elijah Hillman	Charles Look	Surveyors of Highways
John Cottle	Abijah Hammett	
James D Peaks	William Andrews	Surveyors of Lumber
Trustram Weeks	John Lambert	
Bernard Luce	William Lambert	Fence Viewers
Samuel Thompson	Trustram Luce	

George Athearn Charles West Thomas Bradley	Central School Committe

Prudential School Committe Matthew Merry, for the North Shore District

Prudential Committe James Cleveland for the N W District

Prudential School Committe Lathrop Merry for the South Holmes Hole District

Prudential School Committe for the North Holmes Hole School District — John Holmes

Prudential Committe for the South & S, E, District Sanford. W. Vincent

Voted that this Meeting adjourned to the first Monday in May next at one oclock in the afternoon —

Wm. Cottle } *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court for the County of Barnstable & Dukes County directed to one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury to Notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in particular the Selectmen & Town Clerk — which Notice was duly given by Eliakem Norton one of the Town Constables according to law — and the Town Meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish of S^d^ Tisbury at 2 P M on april the 22 — 1830 and Jonathan Athearn Junior was drawn to serve at S^d^ Supreme Court as a grand Juror and Abijah Hammett was drawn to Serve as a Traverse Juror at Said Supreme Court next to be holden in the County of Barnstable

Attest

Wm Cottle } *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for the Purpose of regulating the Jury Box agreable to a Warrant from the Selectmen for that Purpose — agreable to the Constitution & Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and also one other article in Said Warrant pursuant to a petition of Elijah Hillman & others to take a vote to request the Selectmen of said Tisbury not to approbate any Person or Persons as retailors of ardent Spirits the year ensueing — and the following Votes were passed in the affirmatife

Viz

Voted William Davis — to be Morderator

Voted to except the list prepared by the Selectmen to be put into the Jury Box as Jurrors —

Voted to amend the Town Meeting Warrant So as to read — to see if the Town will Direct the Selectmen not to approbate any Person or Persons as retailors of ardent Spirits the year ensueing agreable to the Petition of Elijah Hillman and others —

Voted — that the Selectmen are directed not to approbate any Licensed retailors of ardent Spirits the ensueing Year — and the Meeting Adjourned without day —

Attest Wm Cottle } *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to Vinires from Cornelius Merchant Esqur Clerk of the Court of Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third Monday of May Inst to draw five good and Lawful Men as grand Jurors & four good and Lawful Men to Serve at Said Court as Traverse Jurors to meet at Said

Court on tuesday after the Said third Monday — after due Notice by Jabez Luce one of the Constables of Said Tisbury — for that Purpose the following Persons were drawn to Serve as Jurors Viz

Bartlett Pease Jur Edmund Luce Willard Luce Alfred Norton & Matthew Merry	as Grand Jurors
William S. Vincent William Look Abijah Luce Freeman Norton	Traverse Jurors

At a Legal Meeting held at the old Meeting House in the West Parish of Tisbury having been duly warned as the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires for the Choise of a Representative to represent the Said Town of Tisbury in the Next General Court to be holden the Inhabitants assembled and gave in their Votes for a Representative — and David Look was chosen

attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned Town Meeting of april 5th 1830 — to May 3d 1830 the Meeting was opened by the Morderator and the following Votes passed in the affirmative Viz

Voted that Charles Look be excused from Serving as one of the Surveyers of Highways

Voted that George Athearn be excused from Serving as one of the Central School Committe and that Charles G Athearn be one of the central School Committe in his Stead

Voted that one Thousand Dollars be assessed & raised on the Inhabitants of the Town for the Support of the Poor and Incidental charges the ensueing year

Voted that Four Hundred Dollars be raised and assessed on the Inhabitants of Said Town for the Support of Town Schools the ensueing year

Voted the article in the Warrant the Cattles going at large be definitely postponed

Voted respecting the Survey of the Town that the Selectmen act their pleasure

Voted — that Matthew Merry be Collector of Taxes the ensueing year and to have three pr Cent on the Amount of Taxes for his Services in Collecting the Same

Voted that Trustram Luce Abijah Luce John Holmes Jethro Hillman, William Pool, Richard Luce, Nathan Smith, Ira Dexter, Bernard Luce, Hovey Luce John Hammett, George Cleveland, Thomas Waldron & James Look be Field Drivers the ensueing year

Voted Henry P. Worth, Thomas Bradley, Elijah Hillman, Thomas H. Smith & Thomas Dunham be the Health Committe the ensueing year

Voted Thomas Bradley and John Cottle be a committe to Settle with the late Selectmen and Town Treasurer and report at the next Town Meeting

Voted that Ira Dexter and Abijah Hammett be Pound Keepers the ensueing year

Voted that Elijah Hillman, Bartlett Allen William S. Vincent, David Manter to be Tithing Men

Voted that Hiram Chase, Nathan Smith and Jethro Hillman & David Look be Hog Reeves the ensueing year —

Voted that this meeting be adjourned without Day —

Attest — William Cottle } *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court for the County of Barnstable & Dukes County dated at Barnstable the 12th day of May 1830 directed to one of the constable of the Town of Tisbury to Notify the Inhabitants of Sd. Tisbury to meet and in Particular the Town Clerk & Selectmen for the purpose of drawing one Juror to Serve at Said Supreme Court to be holden at Said Barnstable June the thirtieth 1830 — and the Inhabitants of Said Tisbury by due Notice being given according to Law by Eliakem Norton one of the Town Constables meet at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Tisbury on June th14– 1830 at 2 P M and Robert Athearn was drawn a Juror to Serve at Said Court

attest Wm. Cottle *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Vinire from the Clerk of the court of Pleas for the county of Dukes County to one of the constables of the Town of Tisbury to Notify the Inhabitants of Sd. Tisbury to meet for the purpose of drawing four good & lawful Men to Serve as traverse Jurors at the court of Pleas to be holden at Edgartown in Said county on the last Monday of September 1830 after due Notice being given by Jabez Luce Constable the Inhabitants at the Meeting House in West Tisbury at three oclock

in the afternoon on September 13 – 1830 and the following persons were drawn from the Jury box to Serve as Jurors at S^d^ Court Viz

Thomas Bradley
Thomas Robinson
Daniel Manter
Timothy Pease Jr

W^M^ Cottle *Town Clerk*

The whole number of children (Males under twenty one year of age and Females under Eighteen year of age) in August 1830 as pr returns of the differant School Committes were Five hundred & Fifty three (553)

Holmes Hole South District Children	228
do — North do do	70
North Shore do do	78
North West excluding Mr Belcher Athearn	84
South & S. E including Mr Belcher Athearn	93
	553

At the Anual Meeting of the Voters of the Town of Tisbury on May 3 1830 it was Voted that thare Should be raissed and assessed on the Inhabitants of S^d^ Town Four Hundred dollars for the Support of Town Schools the ensueing year

Proportioned pursuant to the number of children in the Several School Districts as follows Viz

Holmes Hole South District	164 – 91½
do North do	50 – 63
North Shore do	56 – 38
North West do	60 – 75½
South & S East do	67 – 32
	400 = 00

At a legal meeting held in the congregational Meeting house in the west parish of Tisbury having ben duly warn^d^ as the Constitution & laws of the commonwealth of Massichusetts Requier for the choise of a Representative to the Congress of the United States for the District of Barnstable to Represent S^d^ County in the next Congress of the United States The Inhabitance assembled & Gave in their votes for a Representative as follows, for Barker Burnell five for John Reed Nine

Attest W^M^ Mantor Jr *Town Clerk Pro Tem*

At a lega Meeting held at the Meeting house in the west Parish of Tisbury on the twenty Second day of November 1830 at one a clock P. M. The Inhabitance of S^{d} Town being assembled at the time & place apointed agreable to the warrant Jonathan Luce Jur. chairman of the Select men proseeded to open the Meeting in manner & form, the votes being Cald for moderator George Athearn was chosen by ballot Moderator the votes were then taken for town Clerk & were brought in & counted as follows for Matthew Mantor Jr twenty two for Jabez Luce Six & Matthew Mantor Jr was chosen & sworn

Voted that the Selectmen sell at public auction the house of Robert Waldron Town Pauper & place the Nett proceeds of s^{d} sale in the Treasury of S^{d} Town for the benifit of S^{d} Town

Adjourn^{d} this Meeting till the 2^{d} monday in December insuing at 1 P. M.

att. Matthew Mantor Jr *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting held in the Meeting house in Holmes hole on Wednesday the twenty fourth day of November 1830 at one of the clock P. M. The Inhabitance Met at the time place apointed Seth Dagget was chosen or Voted Moderator

Voted by ballot for a suitable man to keep the post office in holmes hole in answer to a Resquist from the Postmaster General. Votes being brought in & counted for Charles West seven for Wm Downs one

Voted that in case the selectmen Recieve an answer from the Post Master General Respecting the proceeding of this Meeting that they make it public by posting it up at the Meeting house in Holmes Hole without delay Voted to adjourn this Meeting without day

Attest Matthew Mantor Jr *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourned meeting held in the west Parish of Tisbury on the twenty seccon^{d} day of November 1830 The Inhabitants met at the Congregational Meeting house in the west parish of S^{d} Town Dec 13th 1830 the meeting being organized according to Law Proceeded to buisness George Athearn Esqr Moderator, The principal subjict under consideration is to take a vote of the Town on a Petition of Ebenezar Skiff Esqr & others Respecting Neat cattle & Sheep Running at Large on the uninclosed Lands of Tisbury & whether the Town will vote to instruct their Representative to Request the Hon Legislature of the Commonwealth of Mass^{ts} to Repeal so far as it Respects said Town all Laws

heretofore made for impounding Neat Cattle & Sheep Going at Large except when found doing damage on improved & inclosed Lands, The Vote being taken on the above mentioned petition It was negatived Unanimosly

And the Meeting was adjournd without day the Select Men then adjourned to the premisis of Robert Waldron Town Pauper To make sale of S^{d} Roberts house & some moveables agreeable to Public notice Given by them for the above mentioned Sale according to Law. The Sale to be by Public auction, Jonathan Luce Jr chairman of the Selectmen Auctionear having sold the movables to diferant Individuals the house was offered next to the public Matthew Mantor Jur being the highest bider It was bid of by the Sd Matthew Mantor Jr for thirty Seven dollars to be paid Six months after the Sale

Dec. 13th 1830

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the male Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to Legal notice met at the Meeting house in the East parish of S^{d} Tisbury at 12 oclock meredian on Monday the 4th day of April 1831 for the purpose of Voting for Governor Lieutenant Governor Senators & Councellors an the Following votes were given in Viz —

Excellency Levi Lincoln for Governor Thirty Seven				37
Honourable Marcus Morton for Govenor twenty Seven Votes				27
For Leut. Governour	Hon Thomas L. Winthrop Thirty Six			36
	Nathan Willis Esq Twenty Votes			20
For Senators & Councillors	Joseph Tripp	1	John Williams	1
	Sollomon Pratt	1	Samuel French	2
	Ichabod Norton	3	Ebenizar Dagget	2
	Elijah Ingraham	16	Col. Crane	1
	Charles H. Warren	14	James Hatch	1
	Elijah Howard Jr	15	John Hersell	1
	Charles H. Howard	2		
	Sollomon Fisk	1		
	John Long	1		

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *Town Clerk*

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the Meeting house in the East parish of Said Town on april 4th 1831

for the purpose of Takeing into consideration & acting on the petition of Lathrop Merry & others Respecting choosing a committee to meet other committees from Edgartown & Chilmark to See If the Town will choose a committee Meet them or Not To purchase a farm & house to put the poor in The votes being Call^{d} sorted & counted for Moderator Thomas Dunham Esqr Was chosen Moderator Voted that the Town would not choose a committee to meet the committees of Edgartown & Chilmark & the meeting was adjourn^{d} without day

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JR.
Town Clerk

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of The Town of Tisbury held in the meeting house in the East parish of S^{d} Town on Monday 4th day of April 1831 Qualified to vote by the constitution & Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to vote & the Following Votes were passed in the afirmative Viz

Thomas Dunham Esqr Moderator
Matthew Mantor Jur To be Town Clerk — Sworn
Matthew Merry sworn
Matthew Lumbert sworn } To be Selectmen
Jonathan Luce Jr } and Assessors
George Athearn Town Treasurer (Sworn)

For County Treasurer the Following persons were voted for Viz —
William Jernigen one Vote — 1 }
for Matthew Mantor Jur fifty one — 51 } Votes

adjourned this meeting by Vote till the 11th day of May insuing at 11 A. M.

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR
Town Clerk of Tisbury

At a legal meeting held in the meeting house in the east parish of Tisbury on Monday april 25 1831 duly warn^{d} for the purpose of drawing jurors for to attend the Supreme Judicial court at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable & dukes County Duly warn^{d} by Eliakim Norton a Constable of the Town of Tisbury — Pursuant to a Vinira from the Clerk of Said Court & the following persons were duly drawn Viz — William Lumbert & was returned into the box by vote of the Town on account of Ill health — John Tilton was drawn & Returned into the box

by a vote of the Town on account of inability to serve from bodily infirmmaties — — James D. Peakes was drawn to be Grand Juror Peter Norton Jur to be Petty or Travers Juror to serve as Juramen at Said Supreme Court next to be holden in the County of Barnstable

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JU
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held in the Meeting house in the East Parish of Tisbury on Friday May 6th 1831 duly warnd for the purpose of drawing Jurors Pursuant to a Venire from Cornelius Merchant Esqr to Jabez Luce one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury to apoint four judicous men of Good Morral Character to serve as Travers Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the third monday instant — Also to draw out of the box five men of Like good Qualifications for Grand Jurors the present year and the following persons were drawn (Viz) Franklin Hammett Hiram Chase — Jonathan Luce — Thomas H. Smith William Furgerson to serve as Grand Jurors for the present year 1831

Presbury Norton Arvin Luce Matthew Mantor Jr & George Dunham — To serve as Travers Jurors for May Term 1831 Matthew Mantor Jur Town Clerk (omission) George Athearn chosen moderator 2 P M the jury box was regulated & accepted by a vote of the Town

DAVID LOOK *Clerk* (*Pro Tem*)

Pursuant to the adjournment of the annual Town Meeting of April 4th 1831 the Inhabitants met at the Meeting house in the East Parish of Tisbury on Wednesday May the Eleventh 1831 at eleven a clock A. M. The Moderator Called the house to order and the following votes were taken and passed in the afermative

Voted to adjourn the Representative Meeting till 3 P. M. — — Voted to choose three men destinct from the Selectmen & assessors to oversee the poor

Voted that the Select Men & assessors have Eight dollars Pr Annum for their services

Voted David Look John Cottle & William Downs be overseers of the poor

Voted Jabez Luce Cathcart Luce Archebeld Mellin be Constables

Voted Charles G. Athearn Shubal Dunham & Leroy M. Yale be a Central School Committee

Voted that Willard Luce

Prudential School Committee	James Cleveland	South East District
	Alfred Norton	North W. Shore Do
		Lumberts Cove or North Shore Do
	Lathrop Merry	South Holmes hole Do
	John Holmes	North Holmes hole Do

Voted James Cottle Tristram weaks & William Andrews Surveyors of Lumber

Voted Bernard Luce Charles Look William Merry Jur & Charles Smith surveyors of highways

Voted Jabez Luce Willard Luce sworn John Hammett sworn Hovey Luce William H Davis sworn George W. Cleveland sworn Field Drivers

Tristram Luce Thomas H. Smith Ira Dexter Jethro Hillman Field Drivers

Voted Abijah Hammit sworn west P Shubel Merry East P be pound keepers

Voted Elijah Luce Seth Dagget John Holmes Charles Smith Henry P Worth Health Committee

Voted Bernard Luce William Lumbert John Cottle James Cleveland Fence Vewers East P

Voted Charles Smith Thomas H. Smith fence vewers East P

Voted Wm Sanford Vincent Franklin F. Smith sworn Matthew Mantor Jur Tithing Men West Parish

Voted Tristram Luce Abijah Luce James D Peakes Tithing men

Voted Matthew Mantor Jr Obid Luce Edward Harding John Johnson Tristram Luce Hog Reeves

Voted Nathan Smith Collector of Taxes for 2¾ p Ct two & three fourths p. cent & give bonds for Double the amount of bills that Shall be committed to him

Voted that Cattle Sheep & Horses shall not run at large on the Commons

Voted that the Selectmen are authorised to sell Real & personal Estate belonging to Town Paupors

Voted that the Select Men Investigate the buisness respecting money paid to Capt Charles Smith of Holmes hole which is said to have been not good

Voted that the next town Meeting for the Choice of Representative to Congress & Electors for President be held in Holmes Hole & Alternately ever after

The Report of Thomas Bradley & John Cottle who were chosen a Committee at the last years anual meeting to Settle with the Late Selectmen & Town Treasurer was red & accepted by a Vote of the Town .

Voted that eight hundred dollars be Raised for the Support of the poor & Insidental charges the present year

Voted that the Town Treasurer call up to a settlement all the back collectors that are indebted to the Town Without delay

Voted to Raise four hundred dollars for the support of Town schools

Voted to Raise two hundred Dollars in addition to the above sum of 400 for the support of Town Schools

Voted that this meeting be adjourned till Wednesday 25th st at one P. M. 1831

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjournment of the anual Town meeting which was held on Wednesday May 11th 1831 which meeting was adjourned till Wednesday May the 25th 1831 the Inhabitants being assembled at the Meeting house in Holmes Hole @ 1 P M agreeable to adjournment the meeting was called to order by Thomas Dunham moderator and the following votes were passed in the afermative (Viz)

Voted that one hundred & fifty dollars be raised to Repair high ways — either by work or in money

Voted that the Treasurer of the Town be directed to Call up the Surveyors of highways of the Town for the years 1829– & 1830 to a settlement & prosacute the delinquints

Voted that John Clifford sworn Charles Baxter sworn & Timothy Luce be field Drivers

Voted Jethro X Hillman & Warren Lewis be Tithingmen

Voted William Pool Warren Lewis & William West be field Drivers

Voted that the Town Treasurer give Bonds of three thousand dollars

Voted Dennis Dexter & Abraham Chase be Hog Reeves

Voted that the Selectmen men Shall Repair the pound as soon as practible & draw on the Town Treasurer for the Expence thereof

Voted that the sum of fifty dollars be paid to the person or persons who Shall prosicute to conviction the person or persons that Recently destroyed the pound in the west parish of Tisbury belonging to Sd Town

Voted that Tristram Luce Bernard Luce Abijah Hammitt Benjamin Allen Esqr & James Cleveland be a Committee of Vigelance to detect & prosicute the late destroyers of the Town pound in the west parish of Tisbury when detected & all other property that may be Destroyed or . . . . belong to Sd Town

Vote that ten cents p hour be given to each Labourer and two dollars pr day for one man & team with Either cart plow or drag

Voted that the Committee asertain the facts Respecting Columbia bank bills which were said to be paid to Capt Charles Smith by the Treasurer, & also Report Respecting Mrs Hichcock at the Next Town Meeting

Voted that this meeting be adjourned without day

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *Town Clerk*

Agreeable to the Returns received from the respective school committees for the year 1831 Is as follows Viz

Holmes Hole North destrict		79	
Holmes Hole South destrict		245	including
North West	Do	86	4 of S W
North Shore	Do	81	Belcher Ah
South East	Do	101	
	Total	592	

Proportion of Money for Each district as follows

	$	c	m	
North district Holmes Hole	80 –	8 –	7	the sum
South	248 ,,	26 –	8	assessed
North West	87 ,,	17 –	8	is 600
North Shore	82 ,,	10 –	3	dollars
South East	102 ,,	36 –	3	for 1831
	$599 '	99 –	9	

M MANTOR PR *T. C.*

At a Legal Meeting held at the Meeting house in Holmes Hole in the East parish of Tisbury having been duly warned as the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts require for the choise of a Representative to Represent the said Town of Tisbury in the next General Court to be holden the Inhabitants assembled and gave in their votes for a representative and

Eliakim Norton was chosen

votes Eliakim Norton	51	
Seth Daggett	44	Total
David Look	2	98
Benjamin Allen	1	
	98	

Tisbury May 11th 1831

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR
Town Clerk

At a Legal Meeting held at the Meeting house in Holmes Hole in the East parish of Tisbury having been duly warned as the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts require to give in their votes by yeas & nays for changing the Election of Governor & Lieutenant Governor & senetors from April & May anually to the Second monday of November and also for changing the time of the Setting of the General court agreeable to a resolve or Law of this Commonwealth passed March the 7th 1831 Entitled a proposed article of amendment the Constitution The Inhabitants assembled & gavin their votes by yeas & nays Viz Yeas forty two Nays eight Yeas 42 Nays 8 —

Tisbury May 11th 1831

Attest Matthew Mantor Jr
Town Clerk of Tisbury

At a Legal Town Meeting held at the meeting house in the East parish of Tisbury on the 17th day of Sept 1831 @ 3 P. M. For the purpose of drawing four men for a Traverse Jury at the court of common Pleas to be held at Edgartown on the third monday of this present month of Sept the Select men & Town Clerk being present drew from the Box the following persons viz

John Cottle
William Downs
Ira Dexter
John Baxter
} To Serve as Traverse Jurors

Tisbury Sept 17th 1831

Wm Mantor Jr *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting hous in Holmes Hole on Monday the 14th day of November 1831 Having ben duly warned as the Constitution & Laws of Massachusetts Require for the purpose of Choosing Governor Lieutenent-Gov. & Senators also to choose a Representative to Represent Said Town of Tisbury in the next General court to be holden The Inhabitants assembled & Gave in their votes for a Representative & Alfred Norton was chosen the votes being brought in Counted & Sorted were as follows (Viz)

For Governor Hon.	for Livi Lincoln Twenty four	—	24
	for Marcus Morton Twelve		12
	Samuel Lathrop Seven		7

The votes were then Call[d] & brought in for Lieutenant Governor as follows viz being counted & Sorted

For Hon	William Wood	one	—	1 —
	John Mills	Nine	—	9 —
	Tho[s]. L Winthrop	fifteen	—	15 —

The votes were then brought in for Senators for Bristol & Dukes County's being counted & Sorted were as follows viz

Joseph Grinell	Nine	9
Elnathan P. Hatheway	Seventeen	17
Leavitt Thaxter	Twenty	20
Nathan C. Brownell	Six	6
Samuel French	Seven	7
Ebenezer Daggett	Six	6
Elijah Howard	Two	2
Elijah Ingreham	Two	2
John Coggeshall	Two	2
Horatio Pratt	Eight	8
Tho[s]. Cook	One	1

Monday 14th
November 1831

Attest Matthew Mantor Jur
Town Clerk

Tisbury Nov 14 – 1831

The Inhabitants then proceedid agreable to the warrant to Choose a Moderator, & brought in their votes as follows — for Jonathan Luce Jur a majority was given & was chosen the house being caled to order the following votes were passed in the afirmative

Voted that Charles Look be one of the overseers of the poor this present year 1831

Voted Thomas Dunham Esqr Arvin Luce & Charles Smith be a Committee to petition the Legislature to enact a Law the more effectualy to prevent Fraud & bribery at the Elections for State & Town officers (agreeable to the petition of Tho[s]. Dunham & others & also to forward the S[d]. petion to the Legeslature of this Commonwealth without any further orders from the Town

Voted that the committee that were chosen at a former meeting to investigate the buisness Respecting Columbia bank bills & the buisness Respecting Mrs Hichcock have a longer time allowed them to Examin into the buisness & Report at the next Town Meeting

Voted that Matthew Mantor Jur provide a suitable Chest to contain the Books & papers of the Town & Charge the Expence of the Same to the Town

Voted that this meeting be adjourned without day

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *T. Clerk*

At a Legal meeting of Male Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Qualified by the Constitution & Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to vote in Town affairs pursuant to Legal notice Meet at the Congregational Meeting House in the West Parish of Said Tisbury at one of the clock P. M on Monday the Second day of April 1832 and the following Votes were passed In the afirmative (Viz)

Jonathan Luce Junr — Moderator

Matthew Mantor Jur To be Town Clerk — sworn.

William Davis Esq
John Cottle
Thomas Bradley
} Select Men & assessors (sworn)

For County Treasurer Matthew Mantor Jur had 100 votes one hundred votes

Matthew Mantor Jur
Nathan Mayhew
Presbury Norton
} Central Standing School Committee

Barnard Luce	for the South & S E district	Prudential School Committees
Job Goreham	for North West	
Tristram Weaks	for North Shore	
James Cottle	for South district Holmes Hole	
Freman Norton	for the North Holmes Hole	
Abijah Luce	— declined serving	

Health Committee the Insueing year

Elijah Hillman
Henry P. Worth — Declines Serving —
Charles West
John Holmes
Charles Weaks

This Meeting was voted to Stand adjourned to Monday the 30th day of this present month of April 1832 one of the clock P. M.

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR
Town Clerk

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting house in the West Parish of Said Tisbury on april 28th 1832 at 3 P. M. Pursuant to a Notice of a Town Constable and his producing a Vinire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one Suitible man & of a good Moral character to Serve at Said Court as a Grand Juror and one man of the like good moral character to attend Said Court on the Second tuesday in May next as a Travers Juror & the following persons were drawn Viz

Timothy Luce Jr for a Grand Juror
Shubal Merry for a Travers Juror

attest — MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the adjourment of the anual Town Meeting of Monday April 2d 1832 the Inhabitants met at the Meeting house In the West Parish of Tisbury on Monday April 30th at 1 P. M.

The Moderator Called the house to order & the following votes were passed in the Afirmative (viz)

Voted Archibald Mellin be one of the health committee in stead of Henry P. Worth who declines serving

Voted ×	Archibald Mellin	Constables
	Jabez Luce	
	Cathcart Luce	
Voted ×	Bernard Luce	Fence Viewers.
×	Abijah Hammitt	
×	James Cleveland	
	Shubal Merry	
×	Charles Look	
Voted ×	Job Goreham	Surveyors of Highways
	Willard Luce	
×	Charles Smith	
Voted	William Lumbert	Tithing Men
	Cathcart Luce	
	Edmund Crowell	
	Shuball Luce	
	Freman Norton	

Voted That Neet cattle & other Commonable beasts shal not Run at Large the Present year

Voted Ira Dexter
Benjamin Allen
Bernard Luce
Shuball Weakes
Jabez Luce
James D. Peakes
James Cleveland
Jeremiah Mantor
} sworn
} Field Drivers
} sworn

Voted Abijah Hammett
Ira Dexter
} Pound Keepers

Voted Charles Harding
Zacheriah Smith
Jesse Luce
Alway Holway
David Look
} Hog Reeves

Voted Tristram Weaks
John Lumbert
James Cottle
James D. Peaks
} Surveyors of Lumber

Voted To Raise Four hundred Dollars for the Support of Town Schools the present year

Voted, to Raise Seven hundred dollars To Support the Poor

Voted, to Raise three hundred dollars for Incidental charges

Voted, to Raise Eighty dollars in addition to the above Sums — Making in all $1480 for the Support of the Poor & Incidental charges the present year

Voted That there be a discount allowed for promt payment of Taxes, as follows viz

Taxes paid in 30 days 6 pr Ct Dis^{t}
" paid in 60 days 4 pr. Ct. Dis^{t}
" paid in 120 days 2 pr. Ct. Dis^{t}
& after that Time no discount Shall be allowed

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JR
Town Clerk

continued

Voted That the Treasure of the Town be the Collector of Taxes This present year

Voted The Treasurer & Collector shal have fifty dollars for all his Services the present year

Voted The Treasurer & Collector has one year allowed him from this day (say 30th April 1832) To compleat his Collection of Taxes & make his Report to the Town

Voted The assessors make & compleat their assesmen of Taxes In the Month of June this present year

Voted That David Look be Treasurer & Collector of Taxes The present year

Voted The Treasurer & Collector give bonds in the Sum of $50 000 Five Thousand dollars

Voted To Raise 150 dollars to Repair high ways & bridges &c

Voted to Raise $\frac{50}{\$200}$ dollars in addition to the above sum for the above purposes

Voted That The Town will not give up the Note which they hold against Lathrop Merry as petitioned for by Thos Dunham & others

Voted That the Town give Capt. Charles Smith of Holmes Hole the privaledg of building a wharfe agreeable to The petition — which is in the following words viz

To give or grant to Charles Smith the privilege of building & placing a Wharfe in the harbour of Holmes Hole in Said Town at the foot of the Street leading to the water or harbour betwixt the Lands of Jonathan Luce Jr. & that of the Widow Betsy West or the heirs of Silas West agreeable to the petition of Nathan Smith & others

Voted That the will accept of the Report of the Select Men Respecting Columbia bank bills

attest Matthew Mantor Jr
Town Clerk

Voted That the Select Men Be a Committee to Settle with Edgartown Respecting Mrs Hichcock deceased Town Pauper

Voted That the Treasurer be directed to call on the Several Collectors to Render in & Settle their accounts to the Selectmen & Treasurer According to the form of the Statutes in such cases made — & provided, otherwise to prosecute them according to Law

Voted That this Meeting be adjourned without day

Attest Matthew Mantor Jur
Town Clerk

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Meeting house in the west Parish of S^{d} Tisbury on May 5th 1832 at 3 P. M.

Pursuant to a Notice of a Town Constable & his producing venires from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Dukes County Commonth of Massachusetts To Draw out of the Jury box five good & Lawful men to Serve as Grand Jurors & four Good & Lawfull men to Serve as Travers Jurors at the court of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown the third monday of the present month of may 1832 — the following Men were drawn from the box Viz

Belcher Athearn
Nathan Mayhew
Freman Norton
Abijah Luce
James Roggers
} To Serve as Grand Jurors

To Serve as Grand jurors

William Chase
James Look
Charles Smith
William Lumbert
} To Serve as Travers Jurors

To Serve as Travers Jurors

Attest Matthew Mantor Jur
Town Clerk

At a Meeting duly warned & held at the Meeting house in West Tisbury on Friday 29th day of June 1832 @ 1 of the Clock P. M for the Purpose of adopting Precautionary Measures against the Introduction of the Asiatic Colera

Benjamin Allen Esqr was chosen moderator & the following Votes passed in the Afirmative

Voted that James West Abijah Luce Michel Daggett Freeman Norton Tristram Luce Seth Daggett William Daggett Jur. Thos West Henry P. Worth Nathan Smith Thos Dunham Leroy M. Yale William H. Allen James D. Foresith Edmund Cottle Edmund Luce Presbury Norton Joseph Look be a committee of Vigilence to adopt all such measures as they may think proper to prevent the Introduction of that desease

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned To Tuesday 2 P. M. at the Meeting house Holmes Hole & that the above committee of vigelence

Report at the S^d^ adjournment their proceedings & that five of Said Committee Shall forme a Quorum to Transact buisness

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Town on the 12th day of July 1832

Elijah Hillman was Chosen Moderator

Henry P. Worth was chosen Town Clerk Pro Tem

It was voted — That four persons be chosen who should constitute a part of the Board of Health for Said Town

Also Voted — That Abijah Luce, Leroy M. Yale Thomas West and Edmund Cottle be annexed to Said board of Health

Also Voted — That Charles Smith be chosen as one of the Board of health of S^d^ Town to fill the vacancy ocasioned in consiquence of the necessery absence of Charles West

Also Voted — That the Board of Health shall have leave By and with the advice of the Select Men to draw on S^d^ Town Treasurer, for any Monies that may be necessary to defray the Expensences which may accrue to S^d^ Town by S^d^ Board of Health

Also Voted That S^d^ Town accept of the List of Jurors which are now presented by the Select Men

Voted That S^d^ Town Treasurer be authorised to borrow any sum's of money that may be necessary to carry into Effect the Quarantine & Health regulations of S^d^ Town —

Also Voted — That this Meeting be adjourned — Sine Die Tisbury East Parish 12th July 1832

a True Copy as Rendered by Henry P. Worth Clerk Pro Tem

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the Above adjournment the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Meet at the Meetinghouse in Holmes Hole & Henry P. Worth was chosen Clerk Pro. Tem.

Thomas Dunham Esq. was chosen Moderator It was voted Unamimously that the Report of the Committee which was then & there Presented & Read — be accepted

Voted that Said Meeting be adjourned Sine Die

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR

Town Clerk

The Whole number of Children Males under 21 & females under 18 years of age in July 6th 1832 as Pr. Returns of the diferent Prudential School committees were five hundred and ninety two 592

Proportion as Follows (viz)

Holmes Hole South destrict	240
Do Do North Do	76
South & S. E. destrict	108
North Shore Do	86
North West Do	82
Total	592

At the Anual Meeting It was voted to raise four hundred dollars for the Support of Town Schools the present year 1832

Proportion as follows —

Holmes Hole S. Dest.	162 " 16
Do North	51 " 35
South & S East dest. —	72 " 97
North Shore Dest	58 " 10
North West Dest	55 " 40
	399 " 98

Attest Matthew Mantor Jur

Town Clerk

Pursuant to a Venire from the Clerk of the Court of Pleas for the County of Dukes County to one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury to Notify the Inhabitants of Said Town of Tisbury, to Meet for the purpose of Drawing four good & Lawful Men to Serve as traverse Jurors at the Court of Please to be holden at Edgartown in Said County on the last Monday of September 1832 after due Notice being given by Jabez Luce Constable, the Inhabitants assembled at the Meeting house in the West Parish of Tisbury at three oclock P. M. on Sept 14th 1832 and the following persons were drawn from the Jury box to Serve as Jurors at Said Court Viz

Jonathan Luce Jur Timothy Pease Jur Seth Daggett George Cleveland

Tisbury Sept. 14th 1832

Attest Matthew Mantor Jr *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified by the laws & Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote for a Representative to the United States Congress — At the Meeting house in the East Parish of Said Town at 2 oclock P M on Monday Nov. 5th 1832 being the first Monday of S^d^ Month & the following persons were voted for (viz)

Hon. John Reed. Twenty Votes — 20

no other votes were given for any person

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR

Town Clerk

The above Recorded meeting for the purpose of Choosing a Representative to congress was Premature Therefore the doings void

MATTHEW MANTOR JUR

Town Clerk

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly Qualified by the Constitution & Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Pursuant to legal notice, Meet at the Congregational Meeting house in the west parish of S^d^ Tisbury at 10 oclock A. M. being the Second monday of November & 12th day of Said month in the year of our Lord A. D. 1832 & Sixty sixth year of the Independance of America — For the purpose of giving in their votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor & a Senator for the district of Nantucket & a Representative to the General Court Give in their votes for Electors of President & Vice President of the United States — the following votes were given in viz

For Governor	Levi Lincoln	Forty votes —	40
	Marcus Morton	Eighteen	18
For Lieu^t^ Govr	Samuel T. Armstrong	Thirty votes	30
	John Mills	Seventeen	17
	Marcus Morton	one	1

Votes

for Electors — at Large —	Nathan Willis of Berks^r^		24
as follows	Charles Jackson of Boston	forty five	45
Suffolk District	Thomas H. Perkins	forty five	45
	Charles Hood	Twenty four	24

Essex South	Gideon Barstow	forty five	45
	John Moriarty	Twenty four	24
Essex North	Eben Moseley	Forty five	45
	Amos Noyes	Twenty four	24
Middlessek	Nathan Brooks	Forty five	45
	Eliphalet Case	Twenty four	24
Worcester S.	Aaron Tufts	Forty five	45
	Richard Olney	Twenty four	24
Worcester N.	Samuel Luce	Forty five	45
	Charles Sibley	Twenty four	24
Franklin	Ebenezar Mattoon	Forty five	45
	Perley Barton	Twenty four	24
Hampden	James Byers	Forty five	45
	William W. Thompson	Twenty four	24
Berkshire	Henry Shaw	Forty five	45
	Phineas Allen	Twenty four	24
Norfolk	James Richardson	Forty five	45
	Ebenezar Seaver	Twenty four	24
Plymouth	Jotham Lincoln	Forty five	45
	Peter H. Pierce	twenty four	24
Bristol	Cornelius Grinnell	Forty five	45
	John M. Williams	Twenty four	24
Barnstable	Nymphas Marston	Forty five	45
	Samuel S Stinson	twenty four	24

Voted that The Town would send a Representative to the General Court this present year

The Votes being calᵈ Brough in Counted & Sorted for a Representative to the General Court were as follows viz

The whole number of votes given in were 82

For David Look Esqr 46

For Seth Ewer Revᵈ 36

And David Look Esqʳ was chosen Representative to the Gen Court

Votes for Senator to General Court	Barker Burnell	33
	Leavitt Thaxter	18

Adjournᵈ Sine die

Atsᵗ Matthew Mantor Jr *T. Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Qualified

by the Constitution to vote for Representatives in the General Court, holden on the First day of April. being the first Monday of said Month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty three for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Representative of Said Commonwealth, in the Congress of the United States, for the Eleventh district. —

The whole number of votes given in were Sorted, counted recorded & declareation thereof made, as by Law is directed — and were for the following Persons: —

For John Read	Thirty three	33
For Benjamin Allen	one	1

attest MATTHEW MANTOR JUR
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury. Qualified to vote. by the Constitution & Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Holden at the Meeting House in Holmes' Hole. East Parish of said Tisbury on Monday the first day of April. 1833.

The following Votes were passed in the affirmative Viz.

Voted and Chose.

1.st. Jonathan Luce Jr Moderator of the Meeting.

2.d Nathan Mayhew Town Clerk. — Sworn.

Voted and Chose for Selectmen as follows viz.

3d John Holmes.	Selectmen and	All Sworn
4th Alfred Norton	Assesors for	
5 " Job Gorham	Said Tisbury	

6. Voted to Adjourn the Meeting to 1/2 past one o'clock P. M. then to Assemble at the same place.

The Adjourned Meeting Assembled at the time and place above

7th Voted to act on the article in the Warrant relative to Choosing County Treasurer.

8th For Matthew Manter Jr. Fifty six 56 votes were Given.

9 " Voted, That the Central School Committee be Chosen by ballot with three names on Ticket.

10th Voted. And Chose as follows.	
10 " Thomas Dunham Esq.	Central School Committee.
11 " Leroy M. Yale	
12 " Nathan Mayhew	

13th Voted That the Central School Committee have $3 per Annum for their servises as a Committee.
14th Voted to Choose Prudential School Committees by ballot
15 " Voted And Chose as follows viz.
15 " Freeman Norton for North Holmes Hole District.
16 " Jonathan Luce Jr. for South Do. Do.
17 " John Cottle " North Shore District.
18 " James Cleveland " North West Do
19 " Barnard Luce " South East "
Voted and Chose for Health Committee as follows viz.
20 " John Holmes.
21st Tristram Luce.
22d Henry P. Worth
23 " William Daggett Jr
} For Holmes Hole
24th George Cottle for North Shore.
25 " Matthew Mantor Jr for South East District.
Voted And Chose for Constable as follows Viz.
26 " Charles Smith. — (Sworn)
27 " Archibald Mellen. (Sworn)
28 " Cathcart Luce, (Sworn)
29 " John Hammett.
30 " Jabez Luce.
31 " Eliakim Norton.
Voted and Chose for Fence Viewers as follows Viz.
32d Pressbury Luce.
33 " Barnard Luce.
34th Charles Look.
35 " Matthew Merry (Sworn)
36 " Voted and Chose for Surveyors of Highways as follews
36 " Charles Smith for Holmes Hole
37 " Matthew Merry " North Shore (sworn)
38 " Willard Luce " South East District
Voted and Chose for Tithing Men as follows Viz.
39 " William Daggett Jr
40 " Shubael Luce
41st Belcher Athearn
42d John Gray
43 " George Athearn Esq.
44th John Smith

Voted and Chose for Field Drivers as follows Viz

45th Tristram Luce (sworn)
46 " John Holmes.
47 " Charles Look
48 " Shubael Weeks
49 " Benjamin Allen Esq
50 " Willard Luce
51st Jeremiah Mantor (Sworn)

Voted and Chose for Pound Keepers as follows Viz

52d Pressbury Luce.
53 " Abijah Hammett.

Voted and Chose for Hog Reevs as follows Viz.

54th Thomas Dunham Esq.
55 " Charles Smith
56 " John Holmes.
57 " Charles Weeks
58 " Barnard Luce

Voted and Chose for Surveyors Lumber as follows viz.

59 " James Cottle.
60 " William Andrews.
61 " Tristram Weeks.
62d Arvin Luce
63 " Voted That Thomas Bradley, William Davis and John Cottle Selectmen for the year last past be a Committee to settle all past Town Accounts. likewise to settle with the Treasurer of the Town of Tisbury and report their doings at the Adjournment of this Meeting.
64th Voted That the Meeting be Adjourned to the sixth day of May next at 9 o'clock A. M. then to Meet at the same place.

A True Record of the doings of the Meeting.

Attest. NATHAN MAYHEW *Town Clerk.*

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Assembled at the Meeting house in Holmes' Hole April 29th 1833, at 2 o'Clock P. M. Pursuant to a Legal Notice from a Town Constable. and by his producing a Venire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable, to draw one suitable man of a good moral Character. to serve at said Court as Traverse Juror. Said Court to be holden at Barn-

stable within and for the County's of Barnstable and Dukes County. Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the first Tuesday of May next

The Selectmen and Town Clerk being present at said Meeting. drew from the Jury box the name of Charles Baxter to serve at said Court as a Traverse Juror

Attest. NATHAN MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the Ajournment of the Annual Town Meeting of Tisbury. April 1st. 1833. The Inhabitants, of said Town Met at the Meeting House in Holmes Hole. East parish of said Tisbury. on Monday May 6th 1833. at 9 o'clock A M.

The house was Called to order by the Moderator of the Meeting. and the following Votes were passed in the affirmative viz.

1.st. That Neat Cattle and other commonable beasts shall not run at large within the Town of Tisbury during the present season.

2d Voted. That the offices of Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes be given to two persons.

3d Voted that the Town Treasurer be allowed Eight Dollars $8 for his servises during the present year.

4th Voted That William Davis be the Treasurer for the Town of Tisbury for the ensueing year.

5.th. Voted, That the office of Collector of Taxes for the Said Town of Tisbury the present year be put up at Auction. and given to the lowest bidder.

6 " Voted That there shall be a Discount allowed for prompt payment of all Taxes paid to the Collector of said Town as follows. viz.

Taxes paid in 30 days 6 per Cent Discount allowed.
" paid in 60 days 4 per cent Do "
" " in 120 do 2 per cent " "

And all Taxes paid after 120 Days no Discount shall be allowed on.

7th. The office of Collector of Taxes being put up at Auction. Capt Charles Smith offered to Collect the Taxes of said Tisbury for $2^3/_4$ per Cent it being the lowest bid was nocked off to him.

8th Voted. That Capt Charles Smith as Collector be required to give sufficient Bonds.

9th Voted That the Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury shall not approbate any licenses to Innholders or Retailers of Ardent Spirits within the Town of Tisbury during the insueing year

10.th Voted. That the report of the Committee which were Chosen at the Annual Meeting April 1st 1833. To Settle with the Town Treasurer as likewise to settle all past Town accounts. be excepted and allowed. Also fees allowed to said Committee $2. each.

11th Voted. To raise one thousand and Eighty Dollars $1080 for the support of the poor and Incidental charges.

12 " Voted. To raise four hundred Dollars $400 for the support of public Schools in said Town the ensuing year.

13 " Voted. To raise one hundred and fifty dollars $150 for the repairing of Highways within the Town of Tisbury for the ensueing year. To be laid out on the said Highways in the common form of using Moneys in said Tisbury.

14th " Voted. To Adjourn the Meeting without day.

A True. Record of the doings of the Meeting.

Attest. Nathan Mayhew, *Town Clerk.*

It having been the vote of the Town of Tisbury at the Adjournment of their Annual Meeting May 6 th 1833, That the Office of the Collector of Taxes of said Town for the present year. be set up at Auction and given to the lowest bidder.

2d The said office was set up at Auction. Mr James D. Peakes offered to Collect the Taxes of said Town the present year for 3¼ per. Cent. it being the lowest bid was nocked off to him. — (James D. Peakes. Collector of Taxes.)

3d Voted, To Adjourn the Meeting Without day.

A True Record of the doings of the Meeting.

Attest. Nathan Mayhew *Town Clerk.*

At a Legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Meeting House in Holmes' Hole East parish of said Town. May 11th 1833, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to a Notice from a Town Constable, and by his produsing a venire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the County of Dukes County, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, To draw out of the Jury box of said Town five good and Lawful men to serve at said Court as Grand Jurors. and four of the like qualifications to serve as Travers Jurors at said Court of Common Pleas. to be holden at Edgartown in said County on the last Monday of the present Month

May. 1833. The Selectmen and Town Clerk being present drew from the Jury box of said Town the names of the following persons

To serve on the Grand Jury.	On the Traverse Jury.
Alfred Norton	Robert Mantor.
Bartlett Pease Jr.	John Smith.
William Gray.	Eliakim Norton.
George Cottle,	Charles Weeks.
Davis Look	

Adjourned without day

Attest NATHAN MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Mr. William Downes being appointed by the Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury as a sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ensuing. personally appeared and took the oath by Law prescribed to that Office before Me.

NATHAN MAYHEW *Town Clerk.*

Tisbury May. 13. 1833

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury. Legally Assembled at the Meeting House in Holmes Hole. East Parish of said Town on Tuesday July 16th 1833. at 2. O'clock P. M. for the purpose of Choosing a Collector of Taxes for said Town for the present year, Instead of Capt. Charles Smith who refuses, to give satisfactory Bonds to the Selectmen of said Tisbury. as required by vote of the Town at the Adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting holden on May 6. 1833.

The Meeting being Called to order by the Town Clerk. 1.st. Voted. and Chose.

Capt. Tristram Luce. Moderator.

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the old Meeting house in Holmes' Hole. (East parish of said Tisbury.) on Monday Sept 23d 1833. at 3 o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to a Notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a Venire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the County of Dukes County. Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Wherein said Venire requireth that the names of four good and Lawful men be drawn from the Jury box of said Tisbury, to serve as Traverse Jury at said Court of Common Pleas, to be holden at Edgartown in said County on the last Monday of this present Month. Sept 1833.

The Selectmen and Town Clerk of said Tisbury being presant at said Meeting. drew from the Jury box. of said Tisbury the Names of the following persons to serve at s.d Court as Traverse Jurors. Viz.

Arvin Luce.
John Holmes.
Thomas H. Smith.
Franklin Hammett.

A true Record of the doings of the Meeting.

Attest. NATHAN MAYHEW *Clerk of s.d Town.*

The whole number of youths and Children in the Town of Tisbury Males under 21 and Females, under eighteen years of Age on May 1st 1833. as Pr Report of the several Prudential School Committees in said Town was 609 Given in as follows viz.

By Jonathan Luce Jr	for	Holmes Hole South District	257
" Freeman Norton	"	Do Do North Do	70
" John Cottle	"	North Shore L. C. "	94
" James Cleveland	"	North West "	82
" Bernard Luce	"	South East "	106
		Total	609

At the annual Meeting or at the Adjournment of the same holden in Tisbury on the 6th of May 1833.

It was Voted to raise the sum of four hundred dollars to be expended in Public Schools in said Tisbury within the present year.

Proportioned to the several School Districts as follows viz.

Dividend to Holmes Hole South District		168,80,1
" " Holmes Hole North	Do.	45,97.7
" " North Shore L. Cove	"	61,74.0
" " North West	"	53,85 8
" " South East	"	69,62.0
Nearly as the above		$.399,99.6

The above Money was Apportioned Sept. 25.. 1833.

Attest. NATHAN MAYHEW *Town Clerk.*

At a Legal Town Meeting of the Freeholders, and other Inhabitants, of the Town of Tisbury. qualified according, to Constitution. and Laws

of this Commonwealth, of Massachusetts to Vote in the Choice of Governor, Lieut. Governor. Senator and Represntative to the General Court;

Holden a the old Meeting House in Holmes Hole (East parish of said Tisbury | on Monday Nov 11th 1833 at one o'clock P. M. It being the second Monday of said Month, and the Fifty seventh year of the Independance of the United States of America.

Said Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Governor Lieut Governor. Senator and a Representative to represent the Town of Tisbury in the next General Court to be holden at Boston on Jan. Next gave in their Votes as follows Viz.

1st Voted For Governor	John Q. Adams	Eighteen Votes were given	18
	Marcus Morton	Twenty-two " " "	22
	John Davis	Ten " " "	10
	Samuel C Allen	one	1
2nd Voted For Lieut Governor	1st Samuel Lathrop	Twenty two votes were given	22
	James Fowler	Twelve " " "	12
	Samuel T. Armstrong	three " " "	3
	Samuel C Allen	one " " "	1
	John Davis	one " " "	1
3d Voted For a Senator and Counsellor	Leavitt Thaxter	Thirty-three Votes were given	33
	David Joy	Twenty five " " "	25
	George M. Bunker	Seven " " "	7

4th Voted. To Choose one Representative to represent the the Town of Tisbury in the next general Court to be held at Boston January Next

5th The votes for Representative being Called for. Brot in sorted, counted and declaration thereof made.

and were for the following persons Viz.

For John Holmes	Forty seventh	Votes were given	47
" Eliakim Norton	Thirty one	" " "	31
" David Look	Fourteen	" " "	14
" John Davis	One	" " "	1
Whole Number of Votes	Ninety three		93

6th Voted on the proposed Amendment to the 3d Article in the Constitution of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts as follows Viz.

In favor of said Amendment	Twenty four Votes. —	24
Against " "	Three "	3

7th Voted. To Adjourn the Meeting without day.

Attest, NATHAN MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

To the Honourable Court of Commissioners for Dukes County We your petitioners humbly represent that an open County road is very much needed in the Western part of said County to facilitate intercourse between the said Western part of said County, Holmeshole, and Edgartown, We further beg leave to represent that the Inhabitants on the, North West part of Chilmark and West part of Tisbury are suffering very great inconveniencies for want of said road and if a road should be opened through that part of the County it would increase the value of the County much more than the cost of s^d road.

Your petitioners not thinking to guide your Hon. body would merely suggest to your wisdom the general direction we think said road. ought to take. Viz. Beginning at the Holmes hole road Eastward of Mr Hovey Luce's or Dea. John Davises and running in a South Westerly course in the most convenient way through the Neighborhood of Cappiggin and terminating at the road Called or known to be the middle line near Mr Vincent Tabers, and if the Hon. Court on a view of the route should think it for the Publick good of s^d County to extend the road farther westward we Pray that it may be extended in a direction towards, Nassaquitsey and. Gayhead as far as the Hon. Court shall think for the Publick good. We pray the Hon. Court to adopt such measures at the next sitting of s^d Court in May next as is necessary for the speedy opening of s^d road, as in duty bound

Chilmark March 9., 1834.

Signed by Thomas Bradley and seventy two others.

A true Coppy Attest. Cornelius Marchant
Clerk of the Court Commissioners

William A Mayhew
Town Clerk of Tisbury.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, Qualified to vote by the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Holden in the West Parish of said Town of Tisbury, on Monday the seventh day of April 1834.

The following Votes were passed in the affirmative Viz.

Voted and Cose,

1st Jonathan Luce jun. Moderator of the Meeting.

2^d William A Mayhew Town Clerk — Sworn

3^d Voted and Chose for Selectmen as follows Viz

Job Gorham
Alfred Norton | Selectmen sworn
Thomas Barrows

4th Votes for County Treasurer were as follows Viz.
For Matthew Mantor seventy, 70 Votes were given.

5th Voted and Chose for Central School Committee as follows Viz
Presbury Norton.
Charles G. Athearn. | Central School Committee.
William A. Mayhew.

6th Voted that each Distrct have the privilege. of Choosing a Prudential Committee.

7th Voted and Chose for Health. Committee as follows viz.
Bernard Luce
George D Cottle
Henry P Worth | Health Committee.
Thomas Dunham.
Elijah Hillman

8th Voted and Chose for Constables as follows viz
Jabez Luce
Charles Smith Constables Sworn.

9th Voted and Chose for Fence Viewers as follows viz.
Bernard Luce
James Cleaveland
Tristam Luce sworn Fence Viewers.
Cathcart Luce
Freeman Norton
Willard Luce

10th Voted and Chose for Surveyors of Highways as follows
William S. Vincent
Nathan Smith | sworn Surveyors of Highways
William Ferguson

11th Voted and Chose for Tithing Men as follows, viz.
William A. Mayhew
Bartlet Pease
John Smith
Freeman Norton | Tithing Men
Thomas H. Smith
William Downs

12th Voted and Chose for Field Drivers as follows

Jeremiah Mantor	Sworn.
James Look	
Hovey Luce sworn	
Tristam Luce	
Nathan Smith	Field Drivers.
John Holmes	
Newel Manchester.	
Charles Weeks	

13th Voted and Chose for Pound keepers as follows, viz

Abijah Hammett	
Ira Dexter	Pound Keepers.

14th Voted and Chose for Surveyors of Lumber as follows

Matthew Coffin	
Thomas Bradley	Surveyors of Lumber.
Thomas Andrews	

15th Voted for inspecter of Weights and Measures as follows William Downs) Inspecter of Weights and Measures

16th Voted to adjourns the Meeting to the sixth day of May next at one Oclock in the afternoon

A True Record of the Doings of the Meeting.
Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At a legal meting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, assembled at the School House in the West Parish, April 25th 1834, at 4 Oclock in the afternoon. Pursuant to a Leal Notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the supreme Court of the County of Barnstable, to draw one suitable man of a good moral Character, to serve at said Court as Traverse Juror, Said Court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the County of Barnstable and Dukes County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the first Tuesday of May next.

The Selectmen and Town Clerk being present at said Meeting drew from the Jury Box the name of William H. Davis to serve at said Court as Traverse Juror.

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the Adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting of Tisbury April 7th 1834 The Inhabitants of said Town Met in the West Parish of said Tisbury on Tuesday the sixth day of May 1834. at one OClock in the afternoon. The Meeting being called to order by the Town Clerk the following Votes were passed in the Affirmative Viz.

1st Voted that Neat Cattle and other commonable beasts Shall not run on the Common the ensuing year.

2d. Voted that the Town Treasurer have the sum of six Dollars for his servises the ensuing year.

3d. Voted and Chose John Cottle for Town Treasurer

4th Vote that the Collectors Office be sold to the lowest bider

5th the Office of Collector of taxes being put up at Auction. George D Cottle offered to Collect the taxes the ensuing year for three per Cent it being the lowest bid was stuck off to him

6th Vote that the Town raise the sum of four hundred Dollars for the support of public School the ensuing year.

7th Voted to raise the sum of eight hundred Dollars for the support of the poor and incidental expences.

8th Voted that the Money raised for the support of Schools be divided in proportion to the State tax.

9th Voted that there be no Discount allowed for prompt payment of taxes.

10th Voted and Chose Jeremiah Mantor for School Committee for the S. E. District the present year.

11th Voted that the Selectmen grant no Certificate of licence for selling Rum, Gin Brandy, Wine, Cider or any other alcoholick liquor

12th Vote that Athearn Mantor have the use and improvement of all the stock belonging to him prior to his becoming a Town Porpher.

13th Voted to Adjourn the Meeting without Day.

A True Record of the doings of the Meeting

Attest William A Mayhew *Clerk of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the Adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting of Tisbury April 7.. 1834. The inhabitants of said Town Met in the West Parish of said Tisbury on Tuesday the 6th day of May 1834, at one Oclock in the afternoon the Meeting being Called to order By the Town Clerk The following Vote was passed, Viz Voted that the Petition of Capt. Charles Smith in behalf of a sum of Money, which he stated to have been paid him by the Town Treasurer of Tisbury, be no further acted uppon.

Attest William A. Mayhew
Town Clerk

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the school house in the West Paish of said Town on the 10.. day of May 1834. at 4 Oclock in the afternoon, Pursuant to a notice

from a Town Constable, and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, within and for the County of Dukes County, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

To draw out of the Jury Box of said Town five good and Lawfull men to serve at said Court as Grand jurors and four of the like qualifications to serve as Traverse Jurors at said Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown in said County on the Last Monday of the Present Month May 1834.

Two of the Selectmen and The Town Clerk being present, drew from the jury Box the names of the following persons.

To serve on the Grand juror.	To serve on the Traverse Jury
James D Peeks.	William Look.
Tristam Weeks	John Johnson.
William Ferguson.	William Chase.
Timothy Luce jun.	Presbury Norton.
Hiram Chase.	

Adjourned without Day

Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Dukes County ss At a Court of County Commissioners holden at Edgartown in and for County of Dukes County on the wednesday next after the third Monday of May, being the twenty first day of s^{d} month 1834. the foregoing Petition was presented for the Consideration of the Court; their being only two Commissioners present, and the subject in their Opinion requiring a full Court to be present the Court was adjourned till the Wednesday next following, being the twenty eighth of said month at the adjournment ordered on said petition that a view of the premises be had by the County Commissioners on the first Wednesday of august next being the sixth day of S^{d} month at ten of the Clock in the forenoon at the dwelling house of Bernard Luce Esq. in Tisbury in said County and that notice thereof be given by serving a true coppy of the above Petition with their order thereon on the Clerks of the Towns of Chilmark, Tisbury and Edgartown thirty days at least before the said view and by posting up coppies of the same in two Publick places in said Towns of Chilmark, Tisbury and Edgartown when and where all persons interested therein may appear and be heard.

A true Coppy Attest. CORNELIUS MARCHANT
Clerk of the County com.

Edgartown June 24,, 1834.

Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Clerk of Tisbury.*

The whole amount of Tax paid by the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury 1834. as pr. Report of the several Prudential School Committees in said Town given in as follows Viz.

By L M Yale for Holme's Hole S. District	$413.82
" Charles Weeks for North Shore L. C.	222,63
" Walter Hillman for North West	308,48
" Jeremiah Manter for South East	272,48
" Holmes' Hole North	184.50
Total	1401.91

At the Adjournment of the Annual Meeting holden in Tisbury on the 7 " of May 1834 It was voted to raise the sum of four hundred dollars to be expended in Publick Schools within the present year.

Proportioned to the several School Districts as follows Viz.

Dividend to Holmes Hole South District	129,64,4
" " " North "	50,48,1
" " North Shore "	60,91,5
" " North West "	84,40,5
" " South East "	74,55,5
The above Money was divided Sept 10 " 1834.	$400.,00.,0

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Town of Tisbury Legally assembled at the Academy in the West Parish on Wednesday the 17 day of Sept. 1834 pursuant to a warrant from the Select men of said Town. The following Votes were passed Viz.

1 " Voted and Chose George Athearn Esq. Moderator of said Meeting

2 " Voted that the Town want no additional County Road laid out.

3 " Voted that there be three Agents Chosen to treat with the County Commissioners on on the same.

4 " Voted and Chose for Agents as follows viz.

Benjamin Allen Esq.
William Ferguson
Alford Norton.

5 " Voted that the foregoing Agents use their utmost exertions to prevent the laying out of said Road.

6 " Voted and Chose James D. Peakes to collect the remainder of Taxes for the year 1833.

A true Record of the doings of the Meeting

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the School House in the West Parish of said Tisbury Sept 20 " 1834 at 5 oclock in the afternoon Pursuant to a notice from a Town Constable and by his Producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Court of Common pleas within and for the County of Dukes County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

To draw out of the jury Box of Said Town four good and lawful men to serve at said Court as Traverse jurors said Court to be holden at Edgartown in said County on the last Monday of the Present month Sept 1834.

The Select men and Town Clerk being Present drew from the jury Box of said Tisbury the names of the following persons to serve as Traverse Jurors at S^d^ Court viz.

James Look
Belcher Athearn.
Ira Dexter.
Freeman Norton.

A true Record Attest
WILLIAM A MAYHEW
Clerk of Tisbury.

At a Legal Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, qualified to Vote in the Choice of Governor, Lieu. Governor, Senator, and a Reprasentative to the General Court Holden at the Academy in S^d^ Tisbury on Monday Nov " 10 " 1834. at one O'Clock in the afternoon it being 2 " monday in said month, and the Fifty Eighth year of the Independence of United States of America. Said Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Governor, Lieu, Governor, Senator, and a Representative to the General Court, holden at Boston in January next,

Gave in their Votes as follows viz,

1 " Voted	For John Davis fifty three	53
For Governor.	" Marcus Morton Eleven	11
2 " Voted	For Samuel T Armstrong fifty six	56
For Lieu. Governor	" William W Thompson Nine,	9
3 " Voted For	For Samuel H Jenks fifty four	54
Senator	" James Mitchel Eleven	11

4 " Voted to send one Representative to represent the Town in next General Court.

5 " Voted for a Representative as follows viz.

For David Look	Forty four,	44
" Eliakim Norton	Eleven,	11
" William Davis	Twelve,	12
" Thomas Dunham	five	5

6 " Voted for a Representative in Congress as follows Viz.

For John Reed fifty one	51
" William J. A. Bradford Eight	8

Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk.*

At a Legal Town Meeting of the free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Town affairs, Holden at the Academy in the Western Parish of sd Town on Monday the fifteenth day of December at one Oclock P. M. the following Votes were passed Viz.

1 " Voted and Chose David Look Moderator

2 " Voted that the Trustees of Dukes County have all the Property that shall or may be obtained from the Legislature for the benefit of S^d^ Academy, for the purpose of supporting a free School in s^d^ Academy for the benefit of said County.

A True Record of the doings of the Meeting

Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

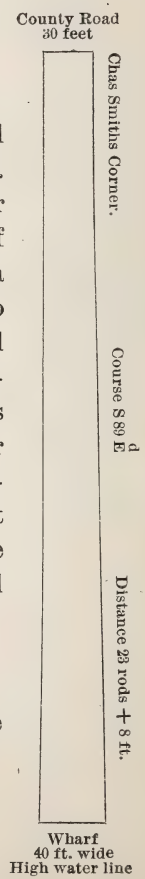
Preamble of the road that leads from the County Road to Holmes Hole Harbour where the Wharf is now located.

I Hereby Certify that on the 24th day of December 1834 I was called upon by the Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury to preambulate the County road leading from a County road at the head of Holmes Hole harbour down to where the wharf is now located, following a former record of a report of a Committee of laying out said road, I commenced at the South westerley corner of Capt Charles Smiths lot and runing by said Smiths and Jonathan Luce Jr Land to high water mark find the course to be S 89^d^ E distance twenty three rods & Eight feet to a bound there Sett by said Selectmen Making said road forty feet wide at the High water line and thirty feet wide at the head of said road agreeable to the anexed draft

STEPHEN SKIFF

Surveyor

N. B. This draft is drawn from a Scale of One rod to the half inch



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Attest THOMAS BARROWS

Town Clerk

The Honourable Court of Commissioners for Dukes County November term 1834. the petition of Samuel Hancock respectfully represents, that he is owner of a tract of land situated in Tisbury and bounded on the West by a publick road which road begins near the house where Mariah Hancock dwelleth and leads Northerly from the Holmes hole Road to a road leading to Lumberts Cove and Tisbury Meeting house and on the North by land of Abigah Hammett, and on the East partly by pine hill road that leads to Lumberts Cove, and partly by Holme's hole road to the place of beginning, and whereas the expense of fencing against or by said roads leaves little or no profit for the land, and as the first mentioned road being of no publick benefit, your petitioner requests your Honours to alter said Road.

And as in duty bound will ever pray.

A true Coppy, Attest Cornelius Marchant
Clerk of Commissioners Court

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
County of Dukes County. ss.

At a Meeting of the the county Commissioners holden at Edgartown in said County on the fourth wednesday of November being the 26 " day of said month 1834. by Adjournment from Wednes-day the twelfth instant, on the foregoing petition ordered that a view of the premisses be had by the Commissioners on the second monday of March next, being the 9 " day of said month, at ten Oclock in the forenoon at the dwelling house of Mariah Hancock in Tisbury in said County, and that notice thereof be given by a true Coppy of the above petition with this order thereon on the Clerks of the Town of Edgartown, Tisbury and Chilmark, thirty days at least before said view, and by Posting up Coppys of the same, or an abstract containing the substance thereof, in two publick places in each of said Towns, twenty days at least before the Meeting of the Commissioners afore mentioned when and where all persons and Corporations interested therein may appear and be heard.

A true Coppy of the petition and order of Commissioners thereon.

Attest Cornelius Marchant *Clerk*
William A Mayhew *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote by the Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth of

Massachusetts, Holden at the Old Meeting house in Holmes Hole East parish of said Tisbury on Monday the 16th day of March A D. 1835

The following votes were passed in the affirmative viz

1st Voted & Chose Jonathan Luce Jr Moderator of the Meeting

2d Thomas Barrows Town Clerk. Sworn

Voted and chose for Selectmen as follows vise

3d Thomas Dunham
4th George D Cottle
5th Job Gorham
} two first sworn. Select men of Said Tisbury Sworn

6th Gave in Seventy six Votes 76 for Matthew Manter for County Treasurer. 76 Votes

7 Voted and chose as follows viz

7th Leroy M. Yale
8th William A Mayhew
9th Davis Cottle
|| Central School Committee

10th Voted and Chose. Abijah Luce Prudential School committee for Holmes Hole North District

11th Voted that the North Shore School Committy man Should be chosen by the Town.

12th Voted and Chose George D. Cottle Prudential school committy for North Shore District

13th Voted and Chose.

John Hammett. Prudential School Committy for the South East District

14th Voted and chose Peter Norton2d Prudential school committy for the North West. District,

15th Voted that the Money raised by the Town, for the Support. of Schools should be divided according to the number of schollars in the several Districts.

16th Voted and Chose for Health Committee as follows viz

Henry P. Worth
17th Charles Smith
18th Thomas H. Smith
19th John Holmes
20th Edmond Cottle.
|| Health Committee

Voted & Chose for Constables as follows viz

21st James D. Peaks sworn
22d Jabez Luce sworn
23d Cathcart Luce sworn

Voted and chose for Fence Viewers as follows viz

24th Barnard Luce sworn
25th James Look
26th Charles Look
27 Arvin Luce sworn
28. Moses T. Cromwell
29. Tristram Luce

Voted and Chose for Surveyors of Lumber as follows viz.

30. Arvin Luce sworn
31 James D Peakes sworn
32d William Andrews. sworn
33 Mathew Coffin
34 James Cottle sworn
35 John Lambert.

Voted and Chose for Tithing Men as follows viz.

36 Soloman Athearn
37 Isaac Vincent.
38 William Lambert
39 John Smith
40 Freeman Norton
41 Presbury Norton

Voted and Chose for Field Drivers as follows viz.

42d Hovvey Luce
43d Tristram Luce
44 Joseph Dias
45 Theodah Luce
46 Emanuel Joseph
47 James Look
48 Jethro Hillman

Voted and Chose for Pound Keepers as follows viz.

49th James D. Peakes sworn
50 Abijah Hammett.

Voted and Chose for Hog Reevs as follows viz

51 Thomas N. Hillman
52d Presbury Luce
53d Edmond Cottle (sworn)
54 Orrok P. Branscomb.

Voted and Chose for Surveyers of Highways as follows Viz

55th Hiram Chase.

56 Charles Look
57 Charles Weeks. sworn
58 Barnard Luce sworn
59 William Luce sworn
60 Nathan Smith.

Voted that the petitioners respecting the licensing Dogs have leave to withdraw their petition

61st Voted to raise Two hundred Dollars for the repairing of the Highways with in the town of Tisbury for the year ensuing $200.

62d Voted To raise Five hundred Dollars for the support of Public Schools in said Town the ensuing year $500.

63 Voted that the Highway tax should be worked out on the roads by the Inhabitants of said Town

64th Voted that all delinquents of the Highway tax who do not work out the same shall be assessed in the next annual Assessment

65th Voted that labourers on the Highways shall receive for their labour twelve and a half cents pr hour

66th Voted to restrain Cattle. Horses and Swine from running at large within the limets of the Town the ensuing year

67 Voted and Chose William Andrews a Commttee to examin and report at the adjournd meeting the expediency and provable cost of errecting a Bridge acrost the Stream on the County road near the residence of Belcher Athern in said Town of Tisbury.

68 Voted and Chose Thomas Bradley to Settle with the Selectmen and Town Treasurer and report the Standing of the Town at the adjorment of this meeting

69th Voted that the Town pay Five Dollars for the use of the Meeting house to be appropriated in clensing said house after holding Town Meetings for the ensuing year.

70 Voted that the Meeting be adjoured to the second Monday in April next at the same place at one o clock P. M.

A True record of the doings of the Meeting
Attest Thomas Barrows *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the ajournment of the Anual Town Meeting of Tisbury March 16th 1835 the Inhabitants of Said Town met at the Meeting House in Holmes Hole East parish of said Tisbury on Monday,

April 13th 1835 at 1 oclock P. M. The house was called to order by

the Moderator of the Meeting and the following votes wer passed in the affirmative. vise

1st Voted & Chose Charles Look } sworn
2d " " James Cottle } Fence Viewers sworn
voted & Chose
For Tithing Men as follows vese,
3d Jonathan Manter sworn
4th Presbury Luce sworn
5th Peter Norton 3d
6th Thomas Robinson sworn
Voted & Chose for Surveyers of Highways as follows vis
7th James Cottle in place of Hiram Chase, Declined
8th William Davis both sworn

9th Voted that the Town Treasurer have Six Dollars for his servises the ensuing year

10th Voted & Chose John Cottle Town Treasurer

11th Voted That the report of the Committy which was chosen at the Anual Town Meeting March 16th 1835 To settle with the Selectmen and Town Treasurer be accepted & allowed also fees allowed three Dollars 3 00

12th Voted to raise One thousand Dollars for the Support of the Poor and incidental Charges $1000.

13th Voted to raise One hundred Dollars in addition to what was raised on the 16th of March for the Suppt of Town Schools.

14th Voted that the Overseers of the poor dispose of the Same as they may think advisable and proper.

15th Voted to accept the report of the committy respecting building a bridge over the brook or stream near the House of Belcher Athearn. also fees allowed to Wm Andrews committy two dollars

16 Voted that there shall be a Discount allowed for prompt payment of all Taxes paid to the Collector as follows vise,

Taxes paid in 30 Days 6 pr cent Discount allowed
Do " " 60 Days 4 pr ct "
Do " 120 Days 2 pr Cents "

And all Taxes paid after 120 Days no Discoent shall be Allowed.

17th Voted that the Office of Collector be put up as auction and sold to the lowest buider.

18th Voted To accept. James D. Peakes as Collector he being the lowest buider was nocked off to him for three percent 3 pr cent.

19th Voted & Chose Nathan Mayhew Central School Committy in stead of Leroy M Yale. declined.

20th Voted & Chose Jeremiah Manter School Comitty man for the South East, District.

21st Voted to Accept the list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen.

22 Voted to Adjourn without Day

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Attest THOMAS BARROWS
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury assembled at the School House in the South East district in said Tisbury April 22d 1835 at two o clock P M, persuant to a legal notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Suprem Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one suitable man of good moral Character, to serve as traverse Juror said court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the county of Barnstable and Dukes County Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the first Tuesday of May next. The Selectmen and Town Clerk being present drew from the Juror Box the name of Edmond Crowell to serve at said court as Traverse Juror

Attest THOS BARROWS *Town Clerk*,

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote by the Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts holden at the Old Meeting house in Holmes Hole East parish of sd Tisbury on Monday the 4th Day of May 1835 for the purpose of giving in their votes for County Commisioners the following votes were given in vise —

For Timothy Daggett,	Forty nine	For County Commissioners
" Stephen Skiff	Forty nine	
" Alfred Norton	Fifteen	
" Thomas Bradley	Twenty	
" Daniel Fellows	Three	
" Thomas Dunham	Three	
" William Davis	Seventeen	
" Harrison P. Mayhew	Six	
" Chase Pease	Three	

Doings of the Meeting Continued. as follows vise.

For Special Commissioners

William Davis	Thirteen votes	For
John Thaxter	Thirteen "	Special
Thomas Bradley	Twenty one	Commissioners
Daniel Fellows	Twenty	
Timothy Doggett	One	

A true Record of the doings of the Meeting

Attest, Thomas Barrows *Town Clerk*

At. a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury holden at the Old Meeting House in Holmes Hole on the 14th Day of May 1835. at two o clock. P. M.

Persuant to notice from a Town Constable, and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Court of common Pleas within and for the County of Dukes County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

To draw out of the Juror box of said Town five good and lawful men to serve at said Court as grand Jurors, and four of the like qualifications to serve as Traverse jurors at said court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown in said county on wednesday the 20th inst

The selectmen and Town Clerk being present drew from the Juror box the names of the following persons vis

For Grand Jurors as follows viz	For Travers jurors as follows viz
Charles Smith	Seth Daggett.
Franklin Gray.	Jacob Clifford
James Roggers	Peter Norton Jr
Dennis Dexter	William Lambert
George W Cleavland	

Adjourned without day

Attest Thomas Barrows *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote by the Constitution and Laws of this commonwealth of Massachusetts holden at the Baptist Meeting House in Holmes Hole on Tuesday the 7th day of July 1835 the following votes wer passed in the affermitive vis

1st Voted & Chose Charles Smith Moderator,

2d Voted that the Town will close the Bass Creek so called at the head of Holmes Hole harbour

3d Voted that the Patitioners and other inhabitants may have the privilage to close the above named Bas Creek

4th Voted to adjorne to two weeks from this day at two o clock P. M at this same place

A true record of the doings of the Meeting

Attest Thos Barrows *Town Clrk.*

The Whole number of Youths and Children in the Town of Tisbury Males under 21 and Females under 18 years on May 1st 1835 as pr report of the several Prudential School Committees in said Town was 588 Given in as follows vise.

By Ira Derters for Holmes Hole South Distict	232
" Abijah Luce " " North "	87
" Geo D Cottle North Shore L C.	80
" Peter Norton Jr North West	84
" Jeremiah Manters South East	104
Total	587

At the anual Meeting and at the adjrmnt of the same holden on the 16 day of March it was voted to raise six hundred dollars to be expended in Public Schools in Said Tisbury within the present year.

Proportioned to the several School Districts as follows vis.

Dividend to Holmes Hole South District	$237.14
" " " " North "	88.93
" " North Shore "	81.77
" " North West "	85.86
" " South East "	106.30
The above money was divided July 15th 1835	$600.00

Attest Thomas Barrows *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury holden at the Old Meeting house east parish of sd Tisbury on Friday Sept 18th 1835

Persuant to a Notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, within and for the County of Dukes County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Wherein said Venira requireth that the Names of four good and lawful Men be drawn from the Jury box of Said Town of Tisbury to serve as Traverse

Jury at Said Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown in Said County on the last Monday of this present Month Sept. 1835

The Selectmen and Town Clerk being present at said Meeting drew from the Jury box of said Tisbury the names of the following persons to serve at Sd Court as Traverse Jurors vise

William Downs
Jonathan Athearn Jr
John Cottle
Nathan Mayhew

A true Record of the doings of the Meeting.

Attest, THOMAS BARROWS *Town Clerk.*

Tisbury Nov 3d 1835

Preambulated the lines between the Towns of Edgartown & Tisbury, Begining at the Stepping Stones and run the Line North 23d rd. rods and errected a stone monument on the west side of the road which runs from Holmes Hole to Edgartown then proceeded on and viewed all the bounds or monuments at the several angles on the lines all of which we found in perfect order.

GEORGE D COTTLE *Selectmen*
THOMAS DUNHAM *of Tisbury*
JOB GORHAM

At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, qualified according to Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in the choice of Governor, Lieut Governor, Senator, and Representativs to the General Court.

Holden at the Old Meeting House in Holmes Hole East parish of Said Tisbury on Monday Nov 9 th 1835 at One O'Clock P. M. it being the second Monday of said Month, and the Sixtyeth year of the Independance of the United States of America.

Said Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Governor, Lieut Governor, Senator, and Representatives to represent the Town of Tisbury in the next General Court to be holden at Boston on Jan next.

Gave in their Votes as follows vise,

1	Voted for	Edward Everett	Thirty three votes
	Governor	Marcus Morton	Sixteen "

2d Voted for	George Hull	Forty two	votes
Leiut Gov.	William Foster	Eleven	"
3d Voted for	John Holmes	Thirty	votes
Senator	Leavitt Thaxter	Twenty eight	"

4th Voted to Send two Representatives to represent the Town at the next General Court

5th. Votes for Representatives being called for. Voted Sorted Counted and were for the following persons vis

First Choice	Thomas Dunham	Thirty nine	votes	39
	William Davis	Sixteen	"	16
	Eliakim Norton	Four	"	4
	John Holmes	One	"	1
	Abijah Luce	One	"	1
		Total		61
2d Choice	William Davis	Forty One	votes	41
	David Look	Twelve	"	12
		Total		53

6th Adjourned without Day.

Attest THOMAS BARROWS, *Town Clerk*

At a legal Distrect Meeting holden in the North Shore School Distect Alfred Norton was chosen prudential School Committee for the Said distrect for the year 1836 as pr report of Shubael Luce Dist Clerk.

Attest

THOS BARROWS *Town Clerk*

Tisbury March 17th 1836

At a legal Meeting of the Ihhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote by the Constitution and Laws of this Commonth of Massachusetts. Holden at the Academy in the West Parish of said Tisbury on Monday the fourth day of April A D 1836

The following Votes were passed in the affermative Viz,

Voted and Chose.

1st Benjamin Allen Esqr Moderator of the Meeting

2d Matthew Manter Town Clerk. — Sworn

Voted and Chose for Select Men as follows viz.

3d Willard Luce — Sworn
4th George D. Cottle — Sworn
5th Thomas Dunham Esq Sworn
} Select Men and assesors

6th Matthew Manter Received Sixty Six votes for County Treasurer Declined Serving

7th Leroy M. Yale
8th Revd. Ebenezar Chase
9th Presbury Norton
} Central School Committee

10th John Holmes — North destr Holmes Hole
11th William Lumbert — sworn S. E. Prudential School Committee
12th Job Gorham — N. W.

Voted John Holmes
Timothy Luce
Henry P. Worth
} Health Committee

Voted Bernard Luce sworn
" Presbury Luce
" Charles Weeks
} Fence Veiwers

Voted Harvy Robinson
" Davis Look
" John Lumbert
} Surveyors of Lumber

Voted William Downs
" Tristram Luce
" Arvin Luce
} Tithing Men

Voted Field Drivers
Nathan Smith
Charles Look — sworn
John Smith
Hiram Dexter — sworn
Theodore Luce — sworn
Obid Nickerson — sworn
Ulissis P. Luce — not sw

Voted James L. Peakes — Pound Keeper Holmes Hole

Voted Charles Smith — declined serving
" Cathcart Luce sworn
" David Look sworn
" Job Gorham sworn
} Surveyors of Highways

Voted Charles Smith and Thomas Bradly a Comittee to Settle With
" the Town Treasurer & Select Men for the past year & Report
" at the adjournment of this Meeting

Voted That the Town Treasurer have Six dollars for his servises the Insuing year.

Voted That John Cottle be Town Treasurer

Voted To Raise Four hundred dollar for the Support of Town Schools $400.

Voted To Divide & proportion the money Raised for Town Schools according to the number of Schollars. in each Destrict

Voted To Restrain Horses & Neet Cattle from going at Large within the limits of The Town of Tisbury during the Insuing year

Voted Jabez Luce sworn } Be Constables the Insuing year
" Ira Dexter sworn }

Voted To accept the Report of the Select Men on the Petition of Presbury Norton & others Respecting a Town way by Gates as set forth in said Report

Voted The Said Petitioners to pay all the expences of erecting the Gates & all other Charges attending the Same of the afore Said Road

Voted That the Town will keep the aforesaid Road in Repair

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 18th of April st

Attest MATTHEW MANTER *Town Clerk*

Pursueant to the adjournment of the Anual Town Meeting of Tisbury april 4th 1836 The Inhabitants of Said Town Met at the Academy in the West Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday april 18th 1836 at 1 O'clock P. M. and the following votes were passed in the Afirmative viz.

Voted & Chose

1st William Furgerson Moderator of Said Meeting

2d Voted to set up the office of Collector of Taxes for the Said Town the present year at Auction and giving it to the lowest biddir,

3d Voted that there shall be a discount allowed for prompt Payment of a Taxes paid to the Collector of Said Town as follows viz

Taxes paid in 30 days 6 P Ct. Discount allowed
" paid in 60 days 4 P Ct
" paid in 120 days 2 P Cent

And all Taxes paid after 120 days No discount

4th Voted That the Town Treasurer call up all delinquent Collectors of Taxes in sd Town without delay & Demand emediate Payment

5th Voted to accept the Report of the Committee which were Chosen at the Anual Meeting to Settle with the Select Men & Town Treasurer

6 Voted To Raise Seven Hundred dollars to Support the Poor and Insidental Charges

7th Voted to accept the Report of the Select Men on Town affairs & acts

The office of Collector of Taxes being put up at Auction William Gray offered to Collect the Taxes of Said Tisbury for 3½ Pr Cent It being the lowest bid was nocked off To him.

8th Voted that William Gray as Collector be required to give Sufficient bonds to the Town Clerk

9th Voted that the Select Men dispose of the Poor as they Shall think best for the benefit of the Town

10th Voted That the Town Pound in the West Parish of Tisbury Remain where It now is (or in other words) the Town will not Remove it to any other place

11th Voted That Abijah Hammett be Pound keeper West parish declined serving

12th Voted To sell the House & some land atach to it formerly owned by Parnal Butler deceased

13th Voted to Raise 300 dollars for the Repair of highway Town wayes & bridges in said Town

14th Voted Ira Dexter sworn Surveyor of highways in Room of Charles Smith who declined Serving

15th Vote To pay the Laborers on the highways according to the Labor don

16th Voted that the Laborers on the highways have 12½ Cents pr hour

Voted that James D. Peakes sworn be a Surveyor of Lumber in Room of Harvy Robinson declined Serving

Voted Timothy Born field driver

Voted Thomas Dunham Esq be one of the Central School Committee in stead of Leroy M Yale declined Serving

Voted Charles Look sworn } Tithing men
" Sylvenus Luce } William Downs & Tristram Luce (Declined Serving)

Voted that the Select Men have fifteen dollars Each for their Servises as Select Men & assessors

Voted that the Select Men Sell the house & Land formerly Parnel Butlers at the Same time they sell the Poor

Voted That this Meeting be adjourned to the first Monday in May insuing at 1 O clock P. M.

Attest Matthew Manter *Town Clerk*

At A Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the Academy in the west Parish of said Tisbury April 18th 1836 at 3 O'clock P. M.. Pursuant to a Legal notice from a Town Constable. and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable, To draw one Suitable Man of a Good Moral Character to serve at Said Court as Traverse Juror. Said Court to be holden at Barnstable Within and for the County of Barnstable & Dukes County Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the firs Tuesday of May next, The Select Men & Town Clerk being present at Said Meeting Drew from the Jury Box the name of Charles Look. To Serve at Said Court as a Travers Juror.

Attest MATTHEW MANTER *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the Adjournment from the adjournment of the Anual Town Meeting of Tisbury april 18th 1836 The Inhabitants of Said Town Met at the Dukes County Academy in the West Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday May 2d A. D. 1836 at 1 O clock P. M. the house was called to order by the Town Clerk, & the following votes were passed in the affirmative viz

1st Voted & Chosen, Thomas Dunham Esqr Moderator of the Meeting

2d Voted to reconsider the vote passed at the preceeding Meeting respecting the town pound

3 Voted That Bernard Luce be Authorised to remove the Town pound in the west parish of Tisbury if the Owner of the land where it now stands will not permit said Pound to remain where It is

This Meeting adjourned without day.

Attest MATTHEW MANTER, *Town Clerk*

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the house of Matthew Mantor in the west Parish of said Tisbury May 12th 1836 at 4 O'clock P. M. Pursuant to a legal notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a venire from the Clerk of the the Court of Common Pleas within & for the County of Dukes County and Commth of Mass To Draw out of the Jury box of said Town five good & lawful men to serve at said Court as Grand Jurors and four of the like Qualifications to serve as Travers Jurors at said Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown in Said County on the last Monday of this present Month of May 1836 Two of the Selectmen & the Town Clerk

being present drew from the Jury Box the names of the following persons viz

John Smith	for Grand Jurors	Jonathan Luce Jr	for Travers Jurors
Franklin Daggett		Walter Hillman	
Nathan Smith		James Cleveland	
Barnard Luce		Bartlet Allen	
Thomas Robinson			

Attest MATTHEW MANTOR *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury. Qualified to vote. by the Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts Holden at the Dukes County academy in the west Parish of said Tisbury on Monday the Twenty third day of May 1836 The following votes were passed in the afirmative viz

1st Willard Luce was chosen Moderator of the Meeting

2d voted that the Town pound in the west parish be erected on the land of Bernard Luce (by his consent) by the road & near his dwelling house to the Northward of the same

Voted 3d That Bernard Luce be agent or comittee for the Town to erect the Town Pound on the place above named

" 4th that Bernard Luce be Pound keeper for the above named Pound the insuing year — (Sworn) —

" 5th that Obid Nickerson be a fence viewer. — (sworn)

voted this meeting be adjourned Sine Die

attest MATTHEW MANTER *Town Clerk*

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to Vote by the Laws & Constitution of the Commth of Mass Holden at Dukes County Academy in the west parish of Said Tisbury on Friday the Eighth day of July 1836 the following votes were passed in the afirmative

Vis 1 David Look Esqr was chosen Moderator of the meeting

2d The office of Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury was set up at Auction & Capt Edmund Cottle being the lowest bider It was nocked off to him for three & a half pr Ct 3½ pct on the amount of mony collected by him & paid into ye Treasurers as pr order of ye assessors

3 Then this meeting was adjourned Sine Die

Attest MATTHEW MANTER *Town Clerk*

Note William Gray who bid of the Collection of Taxes at the former adjournd meeting declined serving

The whole number of youths & Children in the Town of Tisbury. Males under 21 years & Females under 18 years of age on May ye 1st 1835 was five hundred & eighty eight as pr Report of ye several prudential School committees in said Town.

the Returns from several of the district committees not being made in time for the year 1836 therefore the money is proportioned according to the last Returns made as p^{r} Record of 1835

at the Anual Town Meeting holden on Monday the 4th day of April 1836 It was voted to Raise four hundred dollars to be expended in Public Schools in said Tisbury within the present year

Proportioned to the several School destrics. with the addition of $39..31^{cts} Rec^{d} from ye Secre^{y} of y^{e} Com Wth for said year

Dividend as follows viz

Holmes Hole South des	$173 „ 33
North Do Do Do	65 „ 00
Lumbers Cove Dict	62 . 76
North west Dist	62 . 76
South East Dst	75 . 46
	439 „ 31

Attest MATTHEW MANTER { *Town Clerk*

We the Subscribers Select Men of the Town of Tisbury and Chilmark have this the tenth day of September A D. 1836 Met agreable to notice given by the Select Men of Tisbury (being the most ancient Town) for the purpose of Perambulating and runing the lines and Renewing the marks between our said Town's and having attended that Service make returns as follows. viz —

Begining at a flat Rock laying in the wash of the Watter at the Sound, from thence Southeasterly on a straight line to a heap of Stones on the Hills of the land belonging to William Davis & John Davis Jr from thence on a Straigh line to the Road leading from Chilmark to Tisbury From thence Northeasterly by the Road to the brook Thence Easterly by the brook to the pond, Southerly by the pond to the beach from thence on a straight line to the Sea. —

Tisbury September the Tenth A. D. 1836

WILLARD LUCE *agent for the Selectmen of Tisbury*

RODOLPHOS HANCOCK, SAMUEL HANCOCK *Select Men of Chilmark*

A True Copy attest MATTHEW MANTER *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Legal notice from Ira Dexter one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury, A Majority of the Select Men of S^d Town met at the Town Clerks office Sep. 12th 1836 & Drew from the Jury box of S^d Town four men to serve as Travers Juers to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be held on the last Monday of this present Month of Sept 1836 at Edgertown in the County of Dukes County

viz Horatio G. Norton
Davis Cottle Traverse Jurors
Hovey Luce
William West

Attest MATTHEW MANTER *T. Clk*

At a legal Meeting of the Freeholders & other inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote by the Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts to vote in the Choice of Governor Lieutenant Governor Senator & Representative to the General Court Holden at the Academy in the west parish of said Tisbury On Monday the Fourtenth day of November 1836 at 10 Of the Clock A. M. It being the Seccond Monday of said Month and the Sixt first year of the Independace of the United States of America.

Said Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their votes for the amendment of the Constitution for Governor Liu^t Governor Senators & Counselors for a representative in Congess for Electors of President & Vice President & Representatives to the General Court to be holden in Boston January next Gave in their votes as follows viz,

1st voted by Yeas & nays on the Amendment of ye Constitution	For the said Amendment Twenty votes	20
	Against Do Do Eleven	11
2^d Voted for Governor	Marcus Morton had thirty one votes	31
	Edward Everett had Forty nine votes	49
3^d Voted for Lieu^t Gover.	George Hull had forty nine votes	49
	William Foster had thirty two votes	32
4th voted for Senetor & Counselor	John Hancock had thirty four votes	34
	David Joy had forty Eight votes	48
5th Voted for a Representative to Congress	John Reed had fifty five votes	55
	Henry Crocker had twenty nine votes	29
	Jonathan Luce had one vote	1

6th voted to send two Representatives to ye General court to be holden in Boston January next

7th voted that the Representatives voted for to ye Gen^{r} court Should be on a joint ballot

8th Vote to (Adjourned the Meeting 20 miniuts)

9th the expiration of the time of adjornment, the meeting was called to order, & the votes were given in for two Representatives to ye General court as follows viz

The whole number of votes given in for Representative were 90

viz For Thomas Bradley Sixty two votes		62
For David Look	twenty eight votes	28
For Thomas Dunham twenty six votes		26
For William Davis forty nine votes		49
For Jonathan Luce Jr votes seven		7

Thomas Bradley & William Davis having the two highest number of votes given in were declared by the Moderator Chosen Representatives to ye General Court at its next session in Boston

The votes being caled for electors of President & vice President of the United States were given in Counted sorted & declaration made thereon. were as follows (viz)

For Electors at Large.
Nathaniel Silsbe of Salem
Edward A. Newton of Pittsfield

For Districts Electors,

Whig Ticket
forty nine
votes 49

Districts
No. 1 Samuel Appleton of Boston
No 2. Leavett Saltonstall of Salem
No 3. Benjamin Walker of Lowell
No 4 Loammi Baldwin of Charlestown
No 5 Joseph G. Kendall of Worcester
No 6 Samuel Lee of Barre
No 7. Thomas Longley of Hawley
No 8 Isaac C. Bates of Northhampton
No 9 Bezaleel Taft of Uxbridge
No 10 Howard Lathrop of Easton
No 11 Charles W. Morgan of New Bedford
No 12 Charles J. Holmes of Rochester

There was Forty nine votes given in for each candidate on the above Ticket for each District 49

Vanburin Ticket
Nathan Willis of Pittsfield
Seth Whitmarsh of Seekonk
Thirty Six votes 36

No 1 Caleb Eddy of Boston
No 2 Robert Rantoul of Beverly
No 3 Joseph Kittredge of Andover
No 4 Francis Tuttle of Acton
No 5 Samuel Taylor of Sutton
No 6 Samuel C. Allen of Northfield
No 7 Joseph Fitch of New Marlborough
No 8 Harvey Chapin of Springfield
No 9 Benj^{m} P. Williams of Roxbury
No 10 Nathan C. Brownell of Westport
No 11 Thos Mandell of New Bedford
No 12 Jabez P. Thompson of Halifax

There were thirty Six vote given in for each of the candidates on the Above Ticket for each Destrict,

There being some buisness to Trasact Respecting Town afairs Set forth in ye warrant in which the select men do not preside, The Town Clerk called for the votes for a Moderator for that purpose the votes being brought in counted & Sorted, Jonathan Luce Jr having the majority of votes given in Was declared Moderator of the Meeting

and the following articles were then voted on (viz)

1st voted to Choose a committee Respecting the fishery at Chappaquansett Creek agreeably to the petition of Charles Look & seventeen others

2d Voted that the subject Respecting Chappequansetts fishery, be Indefinately posponed

3d Voted to Choose an Agent for the Town to investiagate the Subject Respecting the Support of Keziah Luce & children

4th Voted & Chose John Cottle agent for the Town to Transact the Above buisness Respecting Keziah Luce & Children & to Report at the next anual Meeting of Said Town

The Select Men adjourned the meeting to the house of Matthew Manter at 4 P. M. to finish the buisness of the Meeting in which they preside at 5 adjourned till 9 oclock A. M. 15th st. same place according to adjournment Meet at the time & place afd & closed the buisness of said Meeting & adjourned. Sine Die

Attest Matthew Manter *Town Clerk*

Be It Remembered that by mutial agreement of the undersigned, The division of fence between the parties between the flat point so Called belonging to George Athearn Esqr and the homestead of Mr Lot Look, was submitted to Capt Jeremiah Mantor and Mr Willard Luce, who fixed the bound, on the flat point side to be the permanent bound for the future at a maple Tree just below the watering place and agreed to by by both the undersigned

Tisbury December 9th 1836 George Athearn

(Copy of Agreement) Lot Look

Attest Matthew Manter *Town Clerk*

Entered Tisbury 29th March 1837

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote by the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts holden at the Old Meeting House in Holmes Hole East Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the 3d day of April A D. 1837 the following Votes ware pased in the affirmative

viz 1st. Voted & Chose John J Barrows Clerk sworn

" 2d " Jonathan Luce Jr Moderator sworn

viz 3d Voted and Chose for Select Men as follows viz

Jonathan Luce Jr sworn
George D Cottle
Willard Luce sworth

4th John Cottle Treasurer

5th fifty nine Votes were given in for County Treasur all for Matthew Manter Esq 59 Votes

6th Voted & Chose for Central School Committee as follows

Rev. David Pease,
Mr Davis Cottle
Rev. Ebeneser Chase

7th Voted and Cose for Prudential School Committee as follows —

Holmes Hole District	Nathen Smith
Holmes Hole North District	John Holmes
South East District	Jeremiah Manter
North Shore District	Bartleet Pease Jr
North West District	Job. Gorham

8th Chose for Tything Men as follows

John Smith
Thomas Dunham
Isaac L. Vincent
Willard Luce
} Tything Men

9th Voted and Chose for Health Committee as follows

Thomas Bradley
sworn Leroy M Yale
Charles West
Edmond Cottle
Thomas Barrows
} Health Committee

10th Voted and Chose the following persons for F Drivers

vis Nathen Smith		Field Drivers
" Sylvanus Luce		
" Presbury Luce	Sworn	
" Benj Cleveland	sworn	
" Isaac L. Vincent	sworn	
" Hovey Luce	sworn	
" Shubel Weeks Jr		
" Sanford Vincent		
" John Manter		
" Barnard Luce		
" James A Jones		

11th Voted & Chose for Constables as follows —
vis Sworn Sylvanus Luce
" Ira Dexter Constables
Jabez Luce

12th Voted & Chose for Hog Reeves as follows
vis Capt George Dexter
Seth Look Hog Reeves

13th Voted and Chose for Fence Viewers as follows
vis Alfred Norton
" John Smith
" George Dunhan
" Barnard Luce Sworn
" James Cleveland
} Fence Viewers

14th Voted and Chose for Surverors of Lumber as follows
vis Hervey Robinson
" Davis Look
" Jonathen Luce Jr
" John Lumbert.
" William Andrews
} Surveiors of Lumber

15th Voted and Chose for Surveyors of High Ways as follows
vis Ira Dexter
" Charles Look
" Alfred Norton
" Charles G. Athearn
" Job Gorham
| Surveyors of High Ways

16th Voted and Chose for Pound Keepers as follows
vis James D. Peakes | Pound Keepers
" Barnard Luce | sworn

17th Voted that the Laws respecting the Surplus Revenue be read before the Meeting

18.th Voted to accept. the Motion of Thomas Dunham Esq that the Select Men. Shol Call a meeting on the first Monday in May next to se if the Town will accept the revenue Money from the State Treasur deposited by the United States Secratary

According to the Statute of this commonwealth pased March 21st 1837 and what disposition shol be made of the Same

Also to see if the Town wil build a Town House or otherwise provid a place for holding Town Meetings

18th Voted to Accept. Mr John Cottle report respecting the citesenship of Edmond Luce

19th Voted that the Select. Men be authorised to Settle with the Town of Edgartown respecting the Support of Edmond Luce and Family or otherwise bring a Suit against Said House

20th Voted that a committee of one be appointed to Settle with the Select Men and Treasur and report at the adjorned Meeting.

Chose Capt Thomas Bradley

21st. Voted that Two Dollars be allowed for Cleaning the Meeting House $2.

22d Voted to Adjorn to the first Monday in May Next. at 1 O Clock P. M.

Attest John J Barrows *Town Clerk*

At A legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote by the Constitution and laws of the commonwealth of Massachusetts holden in the Old Meeting House in Holmes Hole East Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the first Day of May A D. 1837 the following Votes were pased in the affirmative Vis Voted and Chose Thomas Dunham Esqr Moderator

2d Voted to Accept of our proportion of the surplus Revenue due from the United States agreeable to an act of the Legislature

3d Voted That the Town Treasurer be the agent to Loan the money

4th voted that Capt Presbury Norton be an assistant. Trustee to act with the Treasurer in Loaning the Money when recieved

5th Voted that the Trustees be instructed to Loan the Surplus Revenue to the State Treasurer in case the State Treasurer will recieve it or otherwise to Loan it to individuals with Two good indorsers in Sums not exceeding three hundred Dollars for a term of time not exceeding twelve Months

6th Voted, the Article in the warrant respecting Building a Town House be dismissed

7th that five Dollars be allowed for Cleaning the Meeting House

8th Voted to adjorn with out Day

Attest John J. Barrows *Town Clerk*

At A Legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the Old Meeting House in Holmes Hole May 1st. A D. 1837. Pursuant to a Legal notice from A Town Constable and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County

of Barnstable to draw one Suitable man of good Moral character to serve at Said court as Traverse Jurors Said Court to holden at Barnstable within and for the County of Barnstable and Dukes commonwealth of Massachusetts on the first Tuesday of May next. The Select Men and Town Clerk being present at Said Meeting Drew from the Jury Box the name of Presbury Luce to serve at sd Court as a Travers Juror

Attest John J. Barrows *Town Clerk*

At A Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury; duly notified according to law, and holden in Said Town on the first day of May in the Year 1837. for the purpose of considering and determining whether said Town would agree to receive, its proportion of the monies received and to be received by the Treasurer, and receiver general, of this comth from the secratary of the Treasurer of the United States for deposits with this commonwealth in pursuance of an act of Congress, entitled an act to regulate the deposits of the Public Money approved on 23^{d} June 1836, and will comply with the termes and provisions contained in the several Acts of this commonwealth concerning the deposite of the surplus Revenue it was – – – – – –

Voted. That this Town agrees to receive from the Treasurer and receiver general of the commth its proportion of the Surplus Revenue of the United States in deposite, and will comply with the termes and provisions of the several acts passed by the legislature of said commonwealth concerning the deposite of the Surplus Revenue in deposite;

Voted that John Cottle Esq — be the Agent. of this Town for the purpose of receiving from the Treasurer and receiver general of this commth this Towns proportion of the Said Revenue in deposits

Voted That John Cottle Esqr, agent. as aforesaid, be and he hereby is Authorised to sign a Certifacate of deposite for the sums of Money he may receive from time to time from the Sd treasurer and receiver general of this commonwelth binding the town in its corporate capacity for the repaymt to Said treasurer of the Money so deposited with this Town and any and every part thereof whenever the Same shall be required by sd. treasurer and receiver general to be by him refunded to the Secratary of the Treasurer of the United States

Form; of A Printed Copy Attested May 23d 1837

Attest John J Barrows

Town Clerk

The whole number of Youths & Children in the Town of Tisbury on the first day of May 1837 (Males under 21) and Females under 18 years of Age As per report of the Several Prudential School Commetties in Said Town was 6.10

Given in as follows

Vis H. H South Dist.	234
" " " North "	105
" North Shore "	84
" North West "	93
" South East "	94
Total	610

At the anual Meeting holden on the 3d day May it was Voted to raise four hundred Dolls to be expended in Public Schools within the ensueing year Proportioned as follows with the addition of $44.23 reecived from the Mass-School fund the ensuing year

Vis Holmes Hole South Dist	$170.41c
" Holmes Hole North "	76.47
North Shore Distrct	61.18
North West Dist	67.73
South East Dist	68.44
	$444,,23

Attest

John J. Barrows *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to adjornment of the anual Town Meeting of Tisbury May 3d 1837 the inhabitants of Said Town met at the Old Meeting House in the East Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the first day of May A D. 1837. the house was called to order by the Moderator and the following Votes were pased in the affermative

Viz 1st. herd the Report of Capt Thomas Bradley chosen Committee Man to Settle with Select Men and Treasurer

2d Voted Said Report be Accepted

3d Voted that the Sum of One Thousand Dollars be assessed for the support of the poor and incidental Charges the ensuing year $1000

4th Voted to raise four hundred Dollars for the Support of Publick Schools $400

5th Voted that 3 per ct be given to the Collector for Collecling Taxes the insuing year

6th Voted and Chose Capt Charles Smith collector of Taxes

7th Voted to raise One hundred Dollars to be expende on the Highways the insuing year to be worked Out. at 12½ cts pr hour 25 cts for Man & Team

8th Voted that Boys over twelve and under sixteen years of age be allowed ½ price to work on the highweys; also voted that no Boys under 12 years of age be allowed to work on the highweys

9th Voted and Chose Tything Men insted of Others chosen and not sworn as follows

Vis Charles Look Jonathan Manter William Daggett.	sworn Tything Men

10th Voted and Chose Surveyors of High Ways as follows Vis Charles Smith

sworn	Bartleet Pease	Surveyors of
sworn	Sanford Vincent	Highways

11th Voted and Chose Field Drivers as follows

Viz Sworn	Sanford Vincent	Field
	Ulisses P. Luce	Drivers

12th Voted that the Town Treasurer shall call on the Collectors for a Settlement

13th Voted to adjorn with out Day

Attest John J. Barrows *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the inhabitants of The Town of Tisbury holden at the Old Meeting House in Holmes Hole East Parish of Said Tisbury on Thursday the 18th 1837 Pursuant to A Notice from the Town Constable and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the court of common please within and for the county of Dukes county Commonwealth of Mass wherein Said Venira Requireth the names of seven good and Lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors and four Petit Jurors be Drawn from the Juror Box of Said Tisbury to serve at Said Court of Common Please to be holden at Edgartown in Said Conty the Last Monday of this present Month May 1837

The Select Men & Town Clerk being presant. at Said Meeting drew from the Juror Box of Said Tisbury the Names of the following persons

Grand Jurors	Petit Jurors
Vis Matthew P. Butler	Charles Smith
Alfred Norton	Robert Manter
Thomas L. Norton	William Gray
William C. Luce	Charles West
Wm S Vincent	
Charles Baxter	
Wm H. Davis	

Attest John J Barrows *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to A Legal Notice from Sylvanus Luce one of the Town Constables of the Town of Tisbury A majority of the Select Men and Town Clerk being present met at the Town Clerks office Sept 18th 1837 and drew from the Juror Box of Sd Town, four men to Serve as Travers Jurors, to Serve at the court of Common Pleas holden at Edgartown on Monday the Twenty fifth day of Sept 1839 — in the Court of Dukes County

Vis Edmond Cottle	Traverse Jurors
Parmenas Parsons	
Theoder Luce	
Hiram Chase	

Attest John J Barrows *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders & other inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to Vote by the Laws of the Commonwelth of Massachusetts for Govenor Lieut Govenor Senatre and Representative in the general Court holden at the School House in Holmes Hole East Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the Thirteenth day of Nov 1837 at One O'Clock P. M. being the Second Monday of Said Month and the Sixty Second year of the Independence of the United States of Ameraca Said inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Gov. Liet. Gov. Senater and Representative to represent the Town of Tisbury in the next general Court to be holden at Boston on January insueing. give in their Votes as follows vis

1st for Govenor	Edward Everet Thirty Nine	39
	Marcus Morton Twenty Seven	27
2d Votes for Lieut Gov.	George Hull Forty Eight	48
	William Foster Twenty five	25

3d Senator for Nantucket & Dukes County	Barker Burnell	Thirty Nine	39
	James Mitchell	Twelve	12
	John H Shaw	Eleven	11

4th Voted To Send one Representative to the next General Court to be holden at Boston on January Next.

Votes for Representative being Called for being assorted Counted and were for the following Persons vis

1st Choise	Thomas Bradley	thirty one	31
	Jonathan Luce Jr	ten	10
	Thomas Dunham	Nine	09
	William Davis	Twenty four	24
	John Holmes	One	1
		Total	75

2d Choise as follows vis	Thomas Bradley		37
	Thomas Dunham	four	4
	William Davis	thirty four	34
		Total	75

3d Choise as follows vis	Thomas Bradley	thirty Nine	39
	William Davis	thirty Six	36
		total	75

Thomas Bradley having the magority of votes was elected.

6th Voted to Adjorn without day

Attest John J. Barrows
Town Clerk

We the Subscribers. fence viewers of the Town of Tisbury, having on the application of Edmond Cottle. and after having given due Notice, to the parties to attend, viewed the premises, and duly concidered, the matter. have assigned, and do hereby assign, to each of the parties, their Share of said fence as follows. viz. the Said. Edmond Cottle. Shall Build and Keep in repair a good and Sufficient fence beginning at the bound. Tree. thence Running North westerly on the North east side of the Road untill he builds five, Rods most of said fence; the Said George Cottle. Shall build and Keep in repair. A good and sufficient fence on the other part of Said Line from Edmond Cottles fence on the North East side of the Road running north westerly. untill it comes to the Road that leads

from west Tisbury to Lamberts Cove, the said Edmond Cottle to have a passway through s^d^ George Cottle fence by making A pair of Bars and supporting the same

Fees $2.00 Given under our hands this 26th day of January
Coppy entered A D 1838.
January 29th 1838

Barnard Luce | *fence*
James Cleveland | *Viewers*

Attest John J. Barrows *Town Clerk*

At A legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections and in Town affairs holden at the South School House in Holmes Hole village on Monday the 29th January A D. 1838 at 2. O Clock P. M.

for the purpose of giving in their Votes for A County Register of Deeds to fill the vacancy of Said office. occasioned by the Death of Samuel Smith Esqr.

opened the Meeting by reading the warrant

Voted and Chose Thomas Dunham Esqr Moderator of Said Meeting —

The whole number of Votes given in for A County Register was fifty two.

for the following Persons —

Vis Benjamin Davis Jr thirty Six		36
Josiah H. Smith thirteen		13
Silvanus L. Pease three		3
	total	52

Attest John J Barrows *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Notice from Cornelius Merchant Clerk of the Court of County Commissioners to the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to Vote in Elections and Town affairs. holden on Monday the 26th day of Febuary A. D. 1838 at 2 O Clock P. M. at the South School House in Holmes Hole for the purpose of giving in their Votes for A County Register of Deeds —

opened the Meeting. and after reading the Warrant. proceeded to make choice of a Moderator for Said Meeting Chose Jonathan Luce Jr

The whole number of votes given for A County Register was Fifty for the following Persons

Vis Benjamin Davis Jr	thirty five	35
Josiah H Smith	fourteen	14
Sylvanus L. Pease	One	1
	total	50

Tisbury Feb. 26th 1838

Attest John J Barrows

Town Clerk

At A legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections and Town affairs holden at the Baptist. Meeting House in West. Tisbury. On Monday the 2d day of April A D. 1838 for the purpose of giving in their Votes for County Commissioners.

Opened the Meeting by reading the Warrant the whole Number of Ballots was Fifty Eight 58 ballots For the following Persons

Vis William Davis Nine	9
" Thomas H. Lumbert six	6
" Timothy Daggett forty seven	47
" Tristram Allen Jr Twenty five	25
" William Mayhew Thirteen	13
" Stephen Skiff	11
" Constant Norton	11
" Haden Lumbert.	3
" Thomas Bradley	1
John Cottle	48
total	174

The Whole Number of Votes given in for Special Commissioners was forty Two —

as follows	Barnard Luce	thirty Two	32
	John Hancock	Nineteen	19
	Daniel Fellows	five	5
	Constant. Norton	fourteen	14
	Thos. Bradley	Two	2
	Daniel Fisher	four	4
	Eliakim Norton		5
	Tristram Luce		3
		total	84

Attest John J. Barrows

Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Town affairs holden at the Baptist meeting house in the West parish of said Tisbury on monday the 2 day of April 1838 the following votes were passed in the affirmative Vis

1st Voted and chose Benjamin allen Moderator

2d Voted and Chose Wm A Mayhew sworn Town Clerk

3d voted and Chose for select men as follows vis Charles Smith John Cottle and James Look all sworn

4th Voted for County Treasurer as follows for William A Mayhew 64 for Wm Daggett 4

5th Voted and chose Eliakim Norton sworn town Treasurer

6th Voted and chose A Committee of three viz Presbury Norton Barnard Luce & Davis Cottle to settle with the Town Treasurer and Selectmen.

7th Voted and Chose for field drivers as follows Constant Norton, Thomas West, Sylvanus Luce Joseph Nickerson Charles Smith Hovey Luce sworn

8th Voted and Chose for surveyors of highways sanford vincent sworn Job Gorham sworn James Cottle and Alfred Norton

9th voted and Chose for fence viewers Barnard Luce sworn James Cleveland sworn shubel Luce Chas Look sworn

10th Voted and Chose Silvanus Luce sworn Constable

11th Voted that all persons deficient in high way Taxes not having been notified shall have the privilege of working out the same during this present year

12th Voted and chose for School Committee Thos Dunham Job Gorham and Wm H Luce

13th Voted and chose for prudential Schooll Committee Peter Norton Henry Cleaveland

14th Voted and chose for fence viewers Willard Luce Wm Davis Eliakim Norton

15th Voted that all future anual meetings be held on the 2d Monday of March

16th Voted to adjourn the meeting to the 3d monday of April

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At an adjournment of a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified according to law to vote in Town affairs holden at

the Baptist meeting house in the West Parish on the third monday of April 1838. the following votes were passed in the Affirmative

Viz 1st Voted that a fire proof Building for register of deeds is not necessary and that the same be dispersed with

2d Voted and chose for Pound keepers Ira Dexter Barnard Luce

3d Voted and chose for health Committee George Dunham Henry P Worth John Holmes

4th Voted that sheep and neat Cattle shall not run at large on the Common or highways

5th Voted and chose for surveyors of Lumber Davis Look, Henry Robinson Wm Andrews and John Lumber

6th Voted and chose for Prudential school Committee Hovey Luce John Holmes and James Cottle.

7th Voted and chose for field drivers Presbury Luce, Tristan Luce

8th Vote that the Collector of Taxes have three pr cent for his services

9th Voted and chose for Collector of Taxes Horatio G. Norton sworn

10th Voted to raise four hundred dollars for public schools

11th Voted to raise 860 Dollars for support of the poor and incidental expences

12th Voted that the Town Clerk examine the select mens Books relative to incidental expence and report at the next meeting of the Town

13th Vote to raise no money for highway expences but that all Taxes now in arrears be worked out this year.

14th Vote that Chas Cottle be surveyor of highweys

15th Vote that Chas. Smith be surveyor of road

16th Vote that Chas. Smith be a Committee to transfer all documents including a Treasury note from John Cottle the former Town Treasurer to Eliakim Norton the present Treasurer and receipt for the same

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections holden in sd Tisbury on the third monday of April 1838.

the poor of said Town of Tisbury were sold to the lowest bider Timothy Pease agreed to take all that now are or may be excepting the family, of Seth Allen and Rowland Luce and bear all expences for one entire year for 695, Dollar

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in election holden at Tisbury on the 26 day of April 1838 the following votes were given for County Commissioners Viz. for John Cottle four Tristam Allen Jr three. William Mayhew six. William Davis five,

A true Coppy
Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Assembled at the Baptist Meeting house in the West paris of said Tisbury April 28. 1838 Pursuant to a legal notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable. To draw one suitable man of a good moral Character to serve at said Court as Travers Juror. Said Court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the County of Barnstable & Dukes County Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the second Tuesday of May next, the Select Men & Town Clerk being present Drew from the jury Box the name of Shubal Weeks Jr. to serve at S^d^ Court as Travers Juror.

Attest. WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

By virtue of the revised Statute of the Commonwealth of Mass Chap 15 Sect 38 We the Subscribers have appointed Ira Dexter for Sealer of Weights and Measures within and for the town of Tisbury the ensuing year. also to be a Measurer of Wood and Bark exposed or brought into said Town for sale for the year ensuing. and who is to receive for your fees the sums following viz for each load of wood by you measured four Cents for each Cord of Wood four Cents for each Cord of Bark Eight Cents.

given under our hands at said Tisbury the 10th day of May A. D. 1838

CHAS SMITH *pr order of*
JAMES LOOK *Select men*

Attest W^M^ A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Town Clerks office in the West parish of Said Tisbury on monday the twenty first day of May 1838. Pursuant to a Notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the Court of common pleas within and for the County of Dukes County Common-

wealth of Massachusetts wherein, said venire required the names of Seven good and Lawful men to serve as Grand jurors, and four as Petit jurors be drawn from the jury Box of said Tisbury to serve as jurors at Said Court of Common pleas to be holden at Edgartown in said County on the last monday of May instant being the 28 day of said month

The Select men & Town Clerk being present at said Meeting drew from the Box of said Tisbury the names of the following persons vis.

Grand jurors	Petit jurors.
Ulysses P. Luce	Matthew Lumbert
Isaac Vincent	Lothrop Merry
Charles G. Athearn	Obed Nickerson
Edmund Luce	Bartlet Mayhew
Peter Norton Jr	
Ira Dexter	
Bartlet Pease Jr.	

Attest Wm A. Mayhew
Town Clerk

Be it remembered that I have this day sold and delivered to Dwight Royce of Tisbury County of Dukes County, Trader the following Articles viz.

One Team Waggon	$50
One Sorrel coloured horse	35
being the sum of Eighty five Dollars	85

Isaac Daggett

a true Coppy of Record W^m^ A Mayhew
Town Clerk

at a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury that was held at the Baptist Meeting house in the west Parish on the 9. day of July 1838.

1. Voted and chose John Cottle Moderator

2^d^ Voted to instruct the assessors to Postpone assessment of the Town's proportion of the sum of 2000 Dollars for County purposes untill the 2^d^ Monday Nov. next in order to Aseertain the sence of the Town more generally than can now be done on the same.

3^d^ Vote to adjourn the Meeting untill the second monday of November at 1 O Clock P. M.

Attest W^m^ A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Legal Notice from Sylvanus Luce one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury the Select men and Town Clerk being present met at the Town Clerks Office on the 14,, day of Sept. 1838 and drew from the Juror Box of said Town four men to serve as Traverse Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas. holder at Edgartown on Monday the 24,, day of Sept. 1838. in the County of Dukes County

Viz Thomas Bradley
Thomas Barrows
Bartlet Allen
David Smith

Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, legally warned and held in the Baptist Meeting house in the West Parish on Saturday the 22. day of Sept. 1838. the following votes were passed in the affirmative Viz

1 ,, Voted and Chose Thomas Bradley Moderator.

2 ,, Voted that the Select men be a Committee to petition the County Commissioners to suspend the erection of a fire proof Building, now in contemplation, for the County Registers office until after the rising of the Legislature.

3 ,, Voted that the above petition be forwarded as soon as practicable.

4 ,, Vote that Charles Smith be an Agent to meet the Commissioners, in order to oppose, on all occasions the erection of said Building.

5 ,, Vote that Benjamin Allen Esq. be a 2d agent to act with the first for purpose above named.

6 ,, Vote to adjourn without day

Attest WILLIAM A MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to Vote in elections for Governor. Lieut. Governor Senator and Representative in the general Court, holden at the Baptist Meeting house in the West Parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the Twelfth day of Nov. 1838 at One O clock P. M. being the Second Monday of Said Month and the Sixty third year of the Independence of United States.

Said Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Governor Lieut Gov. Senator and Representative to represent

the Town of Tisbury, in the General Court to be holden at Boston on January ensuing gave in their Votes as follows Viz.

1st for	Edward Everett ninety five	95
Governor	Marcus Morton Seventy two	72
2d Voted for	George Hull ninety three	93
Lieut Governor	Theodore Sedgwich seventy six	76
3d Voted	William Davis	95
for Senator	George B Upton Eighty four	84
4th Voted	John Reed eighty four	84
for Rep in	Henry Crocker seventy two	72
Congress	Sylvanus Luce One	1

5th. Voted to send one Representative to General Court the Current year

6th Voted to send Thomas Bradley to Represent the Town of Tisbury in General Court

7th Voted that William Merry's Taxes be remitted up to this date Nov. 12,, 1838

8th Vote to Choose a Committee to Petition the Legislature of this State in behalf of a fire proof Registers Office now in Contemplation

9th Voted Thomas Dunham. Presbury Norton. and Charles Cottle be a Committee to draw a petition to be by them circulated throughout the Town of Tisbury for obtaining Signatures. also to draw another petition to be circulated in the Town of Edgartown for the above named purposes

10th,, Voted to adjourn the Meeting to the house of Clarrissa Luce on 2d Monday of Dec. 1838

Attest Wm A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

The whole number of children in the Town of Tisbury on the first day of May 1838. Males under 21 and Females under 18 years of age as pr report of the Several Prudential School Committies in said Town was 622

Given in as follows Viz	H H South District	245
	" " North "	95
	North Shore "	85
	North West "	91
	South East	106
	Total	622

At the Annual Meeting holden on the third Monday of April 1838. it was Voted to raise four hundred Dollars the ensuing year to be expended in Public Schools within the ensuing year Proportioned as follows with the addition of 40 Dollars received of the Mass School fund Viz

H. H. South Dis	173.31
" " North "	67.20
North Shore "	60.13
" West "	64.38
South East	74.98
Total	$440,,00

Attest W^M^ A Mayhew
Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Legally warned and held in the Baptist Meeting house in the west parish of Said Tisbury on Monday the Twelfth day of Nov. 1838. at One O clock in the afternoon The Inhabitants being assembled Voted and Chose Thomas Dunham Esq. Presbury Norton and Charles Cottle A Committee to Petition the Legislature | in behalf of the Town relative to a fire Proof Building for a Registers Office now in contemplation

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At an Adjournment of a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury legally warned and held in the west Parish in sd Tisbury on the 12th day of Nov. 1838. agreeably to a Vote then and there taken the Inhabitants of Said Tisbury met at the house of Clarrissa Luce on the 10th day of Dec. 1838 when the above named Committee Viz Thos Dunham Presbury Norton and Charles Cottle presented a petition relative to a fire proof Registers Office which was Unanimously accepted with Amendments.

Voted and Chose Thomas Bradley a Committee to present the above named Petition to the Commissioners of this County for signatures.

Vote that the Town Clerk assert on the above named Petition that the above named Committee were Chosen by an Unanimous Vote of the Town.

Vote to adjourn without day

Attest William A Mayhew *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Town Meeting holden at the House of Thomas Dunham in Tisbury March 11th 1839 for the choice of Town officers and other purposes Jonathan Luce Jr was chosen Moderator Thomas Dunham Town Clerk and sworn in Town meeting and the following officers were chosen

Selectmen and overseers of the Poor & Assessors

Thomas Barrows april 8th sworn

George D Cottle. sworn Presbury Norton sworn

— School Committe for the Town

James Cottle Edmund Cottle

Jacob T. E Gage

— Prudential Committees for the School Districts.

Districts

North Shore	George D Cottle
Holmes Hole North	John Holmes
North West	William Chace
South East	Asa Johnson

— Field Drivers —

John Smith	
Constant Norton	sworn
Silvanus Luce	sworn
Charles Smith	refuses to serve
Hovey Luce	
Joseph Claghorn	sworn
Nathan Smith	sworn
Henry Bradley	sworn
Charles Look	refused to serve
Franklin Smith	sworn

— Fence Viewers —

Charles Cottle	sworn
Bartlett Pease Jr	sworn
Barnard Luce	sworn
Charles Look	sworn

— Surveyors of Lumber —

William Andrews

William Robinson

Davis Look

— Surveyors of Highways

Charles Look sworn

Dwight Royce sworn
Barlett Pease Jr sworn
Sanford Vinson april 8th sworn
Job Gorham (april 8th chose Le Roy M Yale
a surveyor of highways
— Pound keepers
Barnard Luce
Ira Dexter
— Collector of Taxes. Dwight Royce a $2\frac{3}{4}$ pr cent
— Health Committee
Henry P. Worth
William Daggett
Charles Smith
Constables
— Silvanus Luce sworn in Town meeting
Jabez Luce
— Tithing Men

Bartlett Allen	Presbury Luce	Charles Look
Charles Cottle	John Smith	Frederic Smith
Isaac Vinson	Thomas Bradley	Dwight Royce
Henry Bradley		

Tristram Luce George Dunham Henry P. Worth were chosen a Committee to settle with the Selectmen and Treasurer & to see what saving can be made in the Towns expences also to bring in all the items of expenditure and to make returns at the adjournment of this meeting

Voted to restrain Horses cattle and swine from runing at large on the Common

8th Article in the warrant laid over to the adjourned meeting

Meeting adjourned to the second monday of April next at the House of Thomas Dunham at 1 P. M.

THOMAS DUNHAM *Town Clerk*

At a Town meeting holden March 11th 1839 at the house of Thomas Dunham in Tisbury to give the votes of the persons qualified by Law to vote for County Treasurer

Jonathan Luce Jr chosen moderator

The votes were given in sorted and Counted for County Treasurer

William A. Mayhew	87	
Henry P. Worth	1	
James D Peakes	1	
Jirah Luce	1	
John Luce	1	
Presbury Norton	2	
Charles A Luce	1	
David Tilton	1	= 95

Attest Thomas Dunham
Town Clerk

April 8th 1839 Met according to adjourment voted all personal demands of the Selectmen be presented to the Town at some Town meeting for their accepted before any orders are drawn therefor

Voted to assess on the Inhabitants according to Law the following sums for the purposes herein mentioned

for the Support of Town Schools 600 dollars

also voted that the interest of the Town's money now in the Treasury of the State of Massachusetts be appropriated for the further support of Town Schools the present year

on the petition of Nathan Clifford voted that the Selectmen send John Clifford to the Insane Hospital at ——— of they think proper

on the petition of Nathan Clifford for remission of Taxes

refered to the Selectmen & assessors

voted to assess the Sum of two hundred dollars for repair of Highways to be worked out according to Law 200

voted the sum of eight hundred dollars to support the Poor 800

The meeting then adjourned without day

attest Thomas Dunham *Town Clerk*

at a Legal meeting held at the house of Thomas Dunham in Tisbury on the 30th day of april 1839 for the purpose of drawing a Traverse Juror to serve at the next Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Barnstable on the first Tuesday of May next Presbury Luce was drawn out of the Jury box by the Selectmen

attest Thomas Dunham *Town Clerk*

May 18th Mr. Ira Dexter appointed a Sealer of weights & Measures by the Selectmen was sworn this day also a Measurer of Wood and bark by the Selectmen & sworn this day

May 18th at a Legal meeting holden at the house of Thomas Dunham at 1 P M for the purpose of regulating the Jury box Thomas Barrows was chosen moderator

Voted to accept of the list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen also at a Legal meeting at the time and place aforesaid there were drawn out of the Jury box by the Selectmen the fellow persons to serve as Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas next to be holden at Edgartown for the County of Dukes county on the last Monday of May int.

John Holmes	Grand Jurors
Peter Norton	
Grafton Luce	
Nathan Mayhew	
Jira Luce	
John Smith	
James Rogers	
Elikim Norton	Traverse Jurors
Franklin Gray	
Charles D Harding	
Mayhew A Luce	

THOMAS DUNHAM *Town Clerk*

July 15th 1839

At a Legal meeting duly warned for the choice of a Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury John Holmes was chosen moderator

voted to give the collector of Taxes 3 pr cent on money collected Dwight Royce was chosen collector of Taxes and sworn the same day

—— THOMAS DUNHAM *Town Clerk* ——

September 17th 1839. Tisbury ss

at a Town meeting held this day at the house of Thomas Dunham in Tisbury for the purpose of drawing four Traverse Jurors to serve at the next court of common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday of September inst the following persons were drawn out of the Jury box by the Selectmen

Asa Johnson
David Tilton Jr
Charles Smith
George D. Cottle

Attest THOMAS DUNHAM *Town Clerk*

The following is the number of Children in Tisbury males under 21 years and females under 18 years said number being taken by the school Committee in order for a division of the money appropriated to the Town Schools

Holmes South District	249
Holmes Hole North	96
North Shore	89
North West	74
Tisbury South	125
	633

School fund for 1839

Money voted by the Town	600.	
interest on the sum of 2849–46 at 5 pr cent due from the state	142–47	
School money paid by the State	43	
	$785,,47	
Holmes-Hole South District is entitled to		308–97
Hole North		119–12
North Shore		110–44
North West		91–83
Tisbury South		155–47
Tisbury September 19th 1839		$785.47

THOMAS DUNHAM *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Town meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote for Governor Lieu. Gov. Senators and Representatives in the next General Court holden at the house of Thomas Dunham in the Eastern Parish of Tisbury on Monday the eleventh day of November A. D. 1839 at 11 o clock in the forenoon being the second Monday of said Month to give in their votes for Governer Leut Governer and a Senator for the Senatorial District also for the choice of Representatives to the next general court the following votes were given in sorted counted and declaration thereof made as the Law directs

For Governor Edward Everett	85
Marcus Moreton	120
Frederick Robinson	1
Total	206

For Lieutenant Governor

	Nathan Willis	111
	George Hull	77
	total	188
For Senator	John H. Shaw	121
	George B. Upham	77
	Total	198

For Representatives for the Town of Tisbury

whole number of ballots were		205	
necesery for a choice	103		
Bartlett Allen had		126	
Asa Johnson		126 –	126
Thomas Barrows		73 –	73
Presbury Norton		73	
William Dunham		6 –	6
			205

Bartlett Allen and Asa Johnson were declared by the Selectmen to be chosen

Attest Thomas Dunham *Town Clerk*

At a legal Town Meeting holden on the twenty first day of November A D 1839 at the house of Thomas Dunham in Tisbury

1st to see what disposition the Town of Tisbury will make of the fund which acrued from the Surplus Revenue now loaned to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts which will become due on the twenty second of November 1839

1st Tristram Luce was chosen Moderator

2d Voted. That the Surplus money now in the State Treasury of Massachusetts now held by the Town of Tisbury be invested in five per Cent State Stocks according to the proposals from the State Treasurer and that the Town Treasurer of Tisbury be, and he is hereby instructed to invest the Same in said State Stock

Tisbury November 21st 1839

attest Thomas Dunham *Town Clerk*

At a legal Town meeting holden on the fourteenth day of January in the year of Our Lord eighteen hundred and forty to take measures to

prevent the general spread of the Small Pox now on the Island and to see if the Town will assist those who are unable to assist themselves to be vaccinated agreable to the petition of twelve freeholders of said Town

William Davis was chosen Moderator

1st voted that the Board of Health be directed to examine and restrain all persons that come from any place infected the small Pox or other contagious desease and make use of all the Lawful means that they may deem that the safety of the Citizens require

2 voted That Charles Cottle Nathan Mayhew 2d Harriff Mayhew John Cottle and John Holmes be a Committee under the directions of the board of Health to carry the same into effect

3 voted That the Board of Health be instructed to cause all the Dogs in this Town to be restrained from runing at large for the term of one Month by having them confined or by killing the same

Attest THOMAS DUNHAM *Town Clerk*

At a leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on Monday the Sixteenth day of March A D 1840 in West Tisbury at of the Clock in the forenoon then & there to Act on the following Articles, first to chuse a Moderator

2d to all necessary town officers for the ensuing

3ly to here the annual report of the Select men & Act thereon

4ly to rais such Sums of Money as may be necessary to defray town Charges for the ensuing year and mark Appropriations of the Same

5d to determine the manner of repairing the high ways & town way.

6th to bring their Votes for County Treasurer

7 to See if the town will accept of a public high way or Street Laid out through the Lane of Wm Downs Wm Daggett Thomas H. Smith Joseph Dias Thomas Bradley & others

8thy to see what Action the town will take relative to high way tax deficences remaining unpaid.

Meet according to Notice

first Chose Charles Smith Moderator

" William Davis Town Clerk

first Jabez Luce
" Alfred Norton } Select Men
" George Dunham
" Eliakim Norton Town Treasurer

Voted that the Treasurer have Six Dollars for his Cerfices

Votes for County Treasure for Jabez Luce 63 & Wm A. Mayhew 45

" Wm S. Vincent. Ira Dexter. George D. Cottle Standing School Committee

" Sylvanus Luce, Constable

" Ira Dexter Constable

" Bernard Luce Constable

" that the Select men be Assessors

" Walter Hilman Edmund Luce James Look Charlis West Wm Downs prudential school Committee

" that the prudential Committe should act in Concert with the other Committee

Voted Wm S Vincent. Hariph Mayhew, John Cottle, charles Look Charles Smith survayers of highway

Voted James Clevland Bernard Luce George D. Cottle Nathan Smith fence Vewers

Vot Joseph Smith Constant Norton Isaac Vincent field drivers

Voted Hiram Chase, Charles Look, John Smith tythingmen

" that the Selectmen Dispose of the poor to the best advantage

Votes that pased at our Annuel Meeting not recorded in rotation holden on monday 16th of March 1840

Voted Alfred Norton, Henery P. Worth, Charles West Thomas Dunham William A. Mayhew health Committe

Wm Andrews, John W. Howland James D. pearks John Lambert surveyers of Lumber

Voted Ira Dexter Survayer of wood

" James D. Peaks Collector of Taxes fees 4 pr cent

Voted Instruction to the Select men to repair the town pound at Holmes Hole

Voted Constant Norton pound keeper & also to build a pound on his own Land at his Expence

Voted that the selectmens Account be allowed

" the Treasurers Account Lay on the table

Voted that the Sum of 1200$ be raised to defray Town exsences and Insadential gharges the Currant year

Voted that 400$ be raised for town schools

" that the Intrest of the Surplus be aded to the town schools

Voted 200$ to be raised to repair high ways to be assesed and worked out & have a Certificate of the same or be assesed in the Next made

Voted that the town Accept the street Laid out by Wm Downs Wm Daggett, Thomas. H. Smith Joseph Dias & Thomas Bradley & others

Voted the Selectmen Dispose of the poor to the best advantage

WILLIAM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

At a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden on the 6th of April 1840 to Act on the Amendment of the Constitution there was for the amendment Teen Yeas

WM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting holden on Monday 27th Day of april 1840 first to Cure a Moderator 2d to see if the town will accept of A pound agreeable to the petition of Constant Norton and nine others

Meet according to Notice

Voted Charles Smith Moderator

Voted that the town Accept of a pound to be built by Constant Norton at his own expence on his Land for one year

Attest WM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

May the 9,, 1840

At a leagal Meeting for the chose of Juriors to at Our Court of pleas to be holden at Edgartown on Monday 25th day of May 1840 & the following persons were drawn to Serve as Juriors —

Grand & Travis

John I Burrows	Grand Juriors
Moses Crosby	
Bartlet Allen	
Timothy Luce	
Charles Look	
Ezra Athearn	Travis Juriors
James Cleveland	
Jacob Clifford	
Wm Chase	

Meet according to Adjornment May 27th 1840

Voted that Benjamin Allens High way Tax be remitted for 1837

Voted that the high Taxes be remitted on all. In the Jugement of the Selectmen that ought to be done

Voted Thomas Dunham & Benjamin Allen be a Committee to Select the old town books that is of no Consequence to the town & have them for their Servisces

Vot^d that the Selectmen be a Committe to Settle with the Town Treasurer & report at our next Meeting

Votd × Hovey Luce × Thomas West Isaac L Vincent Federick Smith field drivers

" that James D. Peaks Collector of Taxes sworn

" Charles Smith prudential school comittee

" the Selectmen to Investigate the Dues of John Cottle Late Treasurer of sd town

Votd the Treasurer to prosecute for all sums Due to Said Town, & all Delinquent Colectors Likewise

" that the Treasurer be Instructed to give his note to all Leagal Demands against Said Town of Six month standing that is over 20$

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

At a leagal Meeting for the Chois of Juriors to Serve at our Court of pleas to be holden at Edgartown on Monday the 28 day of September 1840 and the following persons were drawn to serve as Jurors on trials, to Wit

Presbury Norton
Seth Daggett
Ira Dexter
Thomas Waldron
Charles Cottle
} Sept 9th 1840 Juriors

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

the following is the Number of Children in town of Tisbury between the age of 4 and 16 years is 410 as pr returns of the several schools Committees

Number of Children

Holmes Hole district		158
Holmes North	Do	61
North	"	67
North west	"	43
South	Do	81
		410

Money apropriated for schools	
Intrest of Surplus	$142,,47
Raised by Town	400,,00
state fund	44.17
	$586,,64

Holmes Hole District is Intitled to			225,,94
Holmes North	Do	"	87,,23
North Shore	"	"	95,,81
North West	"	"	61,,49
South District		"	116,,17
Tisbury Septr 16,, 1840			$586,,64

attest WILLIAM DAVIS *Town Clerk*

Know all Men by these presence that I have this day Sold and Delivered to A. A Royce Twoo White piggs Marked With Two Slit in the Left Ear at 7$ a peace $14,,00

received payment DWIGHT ROYCE

Dated Tisbury Septr. 26,, 1840

Attest W^M. DAVIS *Town Clerk*

At a Leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury duly Qualified by Law to Meet at the Baptist Meeting house in the west parish of said Tisbury at 11 O clock A M it being the Second monday of November & the 9th day of Sd month A D 1840 For the purpose of Giving in there Votes for Governor & Lieut. Governor of this Commonwealth and Senator for the district of Dukes and Nantucket — and Electors of President & Vice Presidant of the United States — & also for a Representative in Congress U. Sts and a representative to General Court of this Commonwealth

November 9th 1840

For Governor	Marcus Morton	one Hundred & twenty one
	John Davis	one Hundred & Nineteen
	George W. Johnson	Ten
for Lieut. Governor	Nathan Willis	One Hundred & twenty one
	George Hull	One Hundred & Nineteen
	Abel Bliss	Ten
for Senator	David Davis	One Hundred & twenty one
	Thomas Bradley	one Hundred & Nineteen
	Benjamin Davis	Ten

Electors for president & Vice presidant of the U States

Electors at Large	William P. Warker	One Hundred & twenty one
	Ebenezer Fisher	one Hundred & twenty one
	Isaac C Bates	one Hundred and Eighteen
	Peleg Sprague	one Hundred & Eighteen
	Jesse Wheaton	Ten
	Sylvester Judd	Ten

No 1 Caleb Eddy one Hundred & twenty one
Righard Haughton one Hundred & Eighteen
John E. Fuller Ten

No 2 Robart Upton one Hundred & twenty one
Stephen C. phillips one Hundred & Eighteen
Ebenezer Hunt Ten

No 3 Nathaniel Stephens one Hundred & twenty one
Rufus Longley one Hundred & Eighteen
George Coggswell Ten

No 4 Timothy Thomson one Hundred & twenty one
Sydney Williard one Hundred & Eighteen
James T. Woodbury Ten

No 5 Samuel D Spurr one Hundred & twenty one
Ira M. Barton one Hundred & Eighteen
Thomas W. Ward Ten

No 6 Caleb Hubbard one Hundred & twenty one
George Grinnell One Hundred & Eighteen
Joel Hayden Ten

No 7 John Leland One Hundred & twenty one
Thaddeus Pomeroy one Hundred & Eighteen
George W. Sterling Ten

No 8 James Fowler One Hundred & twenty One
Samuel Mixter one Hundred & Eighteen
Charles Starkweather Ten

No 9 Artemas Brown One Hundred & twenty one
Thomas French one Hundred & Eighteen
Bucklin Fitz Ten

No 10 Nathan C. Brownell one Hundred & twenty one
Wilkes Wood one Hundred & Eighteen
Benjamin Burt Ten

No 11 Thomas Mandell one Hundred & twenty one
Joseph Tripp one Hundred & Eighteen
Zenus D. Bassett Ten

No 12 Jesse Pierse One Hundred & twenty one
John B Thomas One Hundred & Eighteen
Azel Ames Ten

Nov 10th 1840

Attest William Davis *Town Clerk*

Votes for federal Representative of Congress of the U Steates

For Henry Crocker one Hundred & twenty two
Barker Burnell one Hundred & sixteen
James Barneby Ten

November 9 " 1840

Votes for a representative to Our General Court to be holden at Boston the first Whedensday of January next Insuing

For { Walter Hillman 121
Wm A. Mayhew 116
George Weeks 11

No Choice balloted again and were

for { Walter Hillman 114
Wm A Mayhew 105
George Weeks 11

no chois, & balloted and there were no chois the 3rd time

Tisbury November 9,, 1840

William Davis *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Leagally Authorised to Vote in town Affairs, to Act on a petion of Charles Smith & twelve other for the purpose of Altering the Law Conserning Grouse or heath hens and there was a Committee Chosen to petition the Legislature to have Said Law Extended, Voted Thomas Bradley, Bernard Luce Alfred Norton as a Committee for that purpose

November 9th 1840

Attest Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

Voted to Allow the Sum of $22,,50th as a Compensation for the Use of the baptist Meeting house to hold town Meeting in for the year of 1840

Wm Davis *Town Clerk*

At a leagal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury for the purpose of Petitioning the Legislature that the town may be exempt from doing Military duty

February 8th 1841

Voted Jabez Luce Moderator)

Voted George Dunham, Jabez Luce, Alfred Norton } to be a Committee to petition the Legislature to be Exemp from doing Milatory duty

attest William Davis *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote by the Constitution & Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts Holden at the House of Thomas Dunham in Holmes Hole East Parish of said Tisbury on Monday the 5th day of April 1841

The following votes were passed in the affirmative

Viz Voted & Chose

1st Jonathan Luce Jr Moderator of the meeting

2 (sworn) Parmenas Parsons Town Clerk sworn

3d (sworn) Johnathan Luce Jr	Select Men for Tisbury
4 (sworn) Alfred Norton	
5 (sworn) Jabez Luce	

6 Voted to adjourn to 1/2 past one O Clock P M then to meet at the same place

Met pursuant to adjournment at 1/2 past one O Clock the Meeting being cale^d to order by the Moderator the following Votes were passed in the affirmative

7th Voted & Chose Sylvenas Luce Constable sworn

Voted & Chose Timothy B Lovell	Field Drivers
(sworn) Constant Norton	sworn
Benj F. Smith	
Nathan Smith	
(sworn) Edward S. West	
Wm Rodgers	
James Cleavland	
(declined) Barnard Luce	
Washington Adams	
sworn Hovey Luce	
sworn Job Gorham	
Voted & chose sworn Barnard Luce	Fence Viewers
James Cleavland	
sworn Charles Look	
Voted & Chose sworn Barnard Luce	Pound Keepers
sworn Hiram Dexter	
sworn Constant Norton	" " sworn

Voted That M Constant Nortons pound be accepted as a Town pound the ensuing year

Voted & Chose Sworn John W Howland
James D. Peakes
Nathaniel H. Peakes — Surveyors
James Cottle — of Lumber
sworn Wm Andrews
John Lambert

Voted & Chose Nathan Smith — Surveyor of Wood & Bark

Voted & chose Thomas Smith Jr
Timothy B Lovell — Hog Reeves
Wm Rodgers

sworn
Voted & chose Hiram Dexter
sworn Charles Look
John Cottle — Surveyors of
declined Barnard Luce — Highways
sworn Wm Sanford Vincent
Wm Chase

Voted & Chose Charles West
Thos H Smith — Health
Edmund Cottle — Committee

Voted That the Collector of Taxes the ensuing year be also the Treasurer

Voted That the Treasurer & Collector of Taxes receive 3½ pr Cent for as a compensation for his servises

Voted To hear the report of the School Committee

Voted That the report of the Committee be Accepted

Voted That a committee of one be chosen to settle with the Town Treasurer & Select Men

Voted That Henry P Worth be such Committee

Voted That the North Shore school District be divided agreeable to the Petition of Matthew Merry & John Cottle. The dividing Line of sd Destrict to be as follows Viz Line beginning at the sound shore running to the South & East on about a straight Line leaving the Land belonging to Elisha Lambert on the East & Charles Cottles on the West & Matthew Merrys on the East & Eliakim Nortons on the West untill it strikes the Road leading from West Tisbury to Holmes Hole

Voted That the 3d 4th 5th 6 8th 9th 10th 11th & 12th Articles of the Warrant be laid over to the adjourned Meeting

Voted To adjourn to the last Monday of this present April at 9 O Clock A M.

A true record of the Doings of the Meeting

Attest PARMENAS PARSONS *Town Clerk*

The Select Men of the Town of Tisbury and the Select men of Chilmark having preambulated the line between said Towns and have agreed that the same line which was last run shall remain and continue to be the dividing Line between the said Towns, and they have Erected Bounds as the Law directs

Tisbury 23d February 1841

The above is a true Coppy record by Me

Attest PARMENAS PARSONS *Clerk*

April 26 1841

Pursuant to adjournment the qualified Voters of the Town of Tisbury assembled at the Time and place above mentioned (April 26 1841) at 9 O clock P. M for the transaction of Business The Meeting was calld to order by the Moderator & the following persons Chosen into Office for the year ensuing

1	Voted,, For Tything men	Charles Look
2	"	Alfred Norton
3	"	John Smith
4	"	Frederick Smith
5	"	Thos Barrows declind & excusd
6	"	Grafton Luce
7	"	Samuel Butler
8	"	Davis Cottle
9	"	Charles West

2ly Voted To hear H. P. Worths report of settlement with the select men Town Treasurer & other Town officers

3d Voted To accept the above report

4 Voted That the committee (H. P. Worth) have five dollars $5 as a compensation for his servises for such settlement

5th Voted For Standing School Committee the following persons Viz

Voted James C. Boomer	East Districk
Charles Cottle	Middle do
Davis Cottle	West Parish

6th Voted For Prudential Committee as follows viz

1	John Howland	North
2	Charles Smith	South
3	Shubail Weeks	North Shore
4	Edmund Luce	
5	Wm H. Davis	North West
6	Willard Luce	South East

7th Voted That the Prudential Committee be authorizd to employ Teachers for the Public Schools of Tisbury

8th Voted To act on. the article in the Warrant relative to choosing County Treasurer by which result

Wm A Mayhew had Seventeen		17
Benjamin Davis	Twelve	12
	Total	29

9th Voted To act on the 12th Article of the Warrant relative to choosing a Register of Deeds for Dukes County which resulted in

Josiah Smith having Twenty four
Benjamin Davis five
Total 29 —

10th Voted To adjourn the meeting to one O Clock P M then to assemble at the same place

The adjourned Meeting assembled at the time & place as above

11th Voted That the catalogue of persons presented by the Select men suitable to be drawn for Jury Men be accepted

12th Voted (Sworn) James Cleaveland for Fence Viewer & field Driver the year ensuing (was chosen at a former Meeting but neglected to be sworn —

13th Voted,, In relation to the 6 article in the warrant relative to raising money to defray the expences of School Houses for the year 1839 & 1840 Voted That It is not expedient thus to do | reconsidered

14th Voted That the Interest of the surplus revenue be devoted in part to the support of Public Schools of Tisbury

15th Voted That the sum of Four Hundred & Twenty five be rais'd in addition to the Interest of Sd revenue for the same purpose

16th Voted the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars be raised for the support of the Towns Poor the ensuing year

17th Voted That in addition to the above $800 the sum of Two Hundred $ be raised to defray Incidental charges

18th Voted That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be raised for the repairs of Highways & Bridges the ensuing year

19th Voted That the Money raised for the repairs of roads & Bridges be assessed & collected as other Moneys raised by the Town for other purposes & that when any person shale work out their proportion of the Highway Tax. the surveyor of Highways in his District shale give him a certificate of the value of such Labour & It shall be allowed him by the Collector of Taxes in part payment of his Tax

18th Voted To chose a Treasurer & Collector of Taxes for th ensuing year Eliakim Norton was chosen & sworn

19th Voted That the Bal now due the Holmes Hole South District be drawn for by the Select Men in favour of the present Standing school Committee to be appropriated by them to the Tuition of the Scholars of Sd. District the ensuing year

20th That Horses Sheep Goats & other Cattle be prohibited from running at large the ensuing year

21st Voted That the Poor of this Town be disposed of by the Select Men in that way that may appear to be most for the comfort of Sd poor and Interest of this Town

22d Voted That the 6th Article in the Warrant in relation to money due for School Houses be reconsiderd

23d Voted That the Sum of Sixty five dollars or There abouts be assesd on the Polls & Estates of the Inhabitants of the 4th or Holmes Hole South School District To defrey the expences of School Houses for the year 1839 & 1840

24th Voted That Iras Dexters demands against the Town of Tisbury for servises renderd as one of the Standing School Committee be allowed & accepted

25th Voted That the Select Men Draw upon the Treasurer for the Amt of poll Tax paid by Samuell Thompson for Twenty one years last past which Is to be refunded to him

26″ Voted That this Meeting adjourn without day

A True record of the Doings of the Meeting

Attest

PARMENAS PARSONS *Clerk*

Tisbury April 26 1841

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Tisbury holden at the Dwelling House of Thomas Dunham deceasd in the East Parish of sd Tisbury on Friday the 30th of April 1841 for the purpose of bringing in

their Votes for Two Standing County Commissioners for the County of Dukes being Inhabitants of the Town of Edgartown and Chilmark the following persons were Voted for as follows Viz

	William Mayhew	Ten	10
	Timothy Daggett	Nine	9
for	Joseph Dunham	Two	2
Standing	Jacob Norton	Two	2
County	Alexander Vincent	Two	1
Commissioners	Thomas Tucker Mayhew	Two	1
	Sylvenas L Pease	One	1
	Thos West	One	1
	Harrison P. Mayhew	One	1
		Total	28

At the same time and place as above (April 30th 1841) Pursuant to a Legal Notice from a Town Constable and by his producing a Venire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one suitable Man of good Moral Character to serve at Said Court as Traverse Jury, Said Court to be held at Barnstable within and for Said County of Barstable and Dukes on the first Tuesday of May Next — 1841 —

The Select Men and Town Clerk being present at said Meeting drew from the Jury Box the name of Davis Look to serve at Said Court as Traverse Jury. —

Voted To adjourn without day

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Notice from Sylvenas Luce constable of Tisbury and by his producing a Venire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas the Select Men and Town Clerk assembled at the House of Jonathan Luce Jr to draw from the Jury Box Six good and Lawful Men to Serve as Grand Jurors and four Men of like qualifications to serve as Traverse Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas within and for the County of Dukes County to be held at Edgartown on the last Monday of May 1841 at 10 O Clock A M — The following persons were Legally Drawn. for.

The above Business was tansacted on May 15th 1841

Grand Jurors.

Harriff Mayhew
Charles Luce
David Nickerson
Hovvy Luce
George W Cleveland
Johnathan Athearn Jr

Traverse Jurors
Robert Athearn
John Look
Shubael D Smith
Washington Adams
Attest. — Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Personally appeared before me Jonathan Luce Jr And Alfred Norton and took the Oath prescribed by Law as Assessors of the Town of Tisbury

Jon[a] Luce May 25
Alfred Norton " 21

Parmenas Parsons *Clerk*

At a Lgal Meeting held on the 11th of September 1841 at the House of Jonathan Luce Jr in Tisbury for the purpose of drawing five good and Lawfull Men to serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas of this Commonwealth to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes County on the last Monday of September now Currant, the following persons were by the Select Men drawn from the Jury Box Viz

1 " Alfred Norton
2 " Charles A Luce
3 " Theadore Luce
4 " William C Luce
5 " Charles West

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

At a Legall Town Meeting holden at the House of the late Thomas Dunham Esq (deseas[d]) in the East Parish of Tisbury On Thursday the 23[d] day of September 1841 for purposes set forth in the warrants the following Votes were pass[d] Viz

1 Voted Alfred Norton Morderator

2[d] Voted that the Select Men of Tisbury withhold the Bills of Assesment of Taxes for the Currant year from Eliakim Norton the Chosen Collector & Treasurer unless he gives Lawful Bonds for the faithfull performance of his duty

3[d] Voted That a Committee be appointed to Treat with the present Collecter & Treasurer of Taxes for the purpose of assertaining his accept-

ance as Collector of Taxes according to Law — Or his Refusell — The following persons were appointed such Committee Viz

Charles Cottle
Sylvenas Luce

The afforesaid Committee (Sylvenas Luce & Charles Cottle) report that the afforesaid Collecter of Taxes (Eliakim Norton) refuses to Treat with them On the subject for which they were appointed

4th Voted,, That a committee of three persons be appointed to Investigate the circumstances connected with the refusal of the Present Town Treasurer & Collecter of Taxes to give Bonds and to report the same at the adjournd Meeting the following persons were chosen such Committee by Vote

Viz Charles A Luce
Charles Cottle
Barnard Luce

5th Voted That Mr John Cottle be renumerated the sum of four dollars & fifty cents which he paid Benj Lindsey Printer of New Bedford for Advertesing Petition to General court concerning a Tax Jany 21 1839

6 Voted That the Meeting adjourn unto Friday the 1st day of October Next then to assemble at the same place at the hour of One O clock P M

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Assembled according to Adjournment on Friday the first day of October at 1 O Clock P. M. The Meeting was calld to order by the Moderator & the following Votes were passd in the affirmative

1st Voted To hear the report of the Committee relative to the Collecter & Treasurer of Tisbury giving Bonds &c After hearing the report It was

2 Voted. That the report and recommendation be accepted.

3d Voted That a collecter of Taxes be chosen in place of Eliakim Norton who refuses to give Bonds as by Law required

4.th Voted That the Collecter of Taxes receive Three pr ct as a conpensation for all Moneys Collected by him and paid Unto the Treasurer

5th Voted That William Andrews be the Collecter of Taxes for the ensuing year (Sworn In open Town Meeting)

A demand of Seven dollars was presented by the Aforemention Committee (Charles A Luce & 2 others) for servises & expences In attending to the duty assignd them relative to the Collecter and Treasurer &c and

6 Voted the above demand be accepted

7th Resolvd That It be the views of the Meeting that Eliakim Norton still continue in the service of the Town in capacity of Treasurer for the same compensation that he has heretofore received

8th Voted That the Meeting adjourned without day

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified according to this Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Vote in the Choice of Governor Lieut Governor Senator and Representative to the General Court Holden at the House of the late Thomas Dunham in Holmes Hole East parish of Tisbury on Monday the Eighth day of November 1841 at 11 O Clock in the fournoon It being the 2d Monday of Sd Month and the Sixty fifth year, of the Independence of the United States of America Sd Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Governor. Lieut Governor Senator and Representative to represent the Town of Tisbury in the next General Court to be holden in Boston on the first Wednesday of January Next 1842 gave in their Votes as follows Viz

1st For Governor	Marcus Morton	Ninety	90
	John Davis	Sixty Six	66
	Lucius Boltwood	Nine	9
		Number of Ballots	165
2d Lieut Governor	George Hull	Sixty seven	67
	Henry H Childs	Eighty nine	89
	Ebenezer Hunt	Nine	9
3d Senators for the district of Dukes and Nantucket	Thomas Bradley	Seventy one	71
	Benjamin Davis	Seven	7
	William Bunker	Eighty four	84
	William Downes	One	1

4.th Voted To send a Representative to General Court the following persons were Voted for Viz

William Daggett	Thirty five
Charles Smith	Eight
Walter Hillman	Eighty four
Johnathan Luce jr	Thirty two
Benjamin Allen	One

Walter Hillman having a Majority was declared to be chosen Representative to General Court the ensuing year

5 Voted To adjourn the Meeting without day

A true record of the doings of the Meeting

Attest Parmenas Parsons
Town Clerk

The whole number of Children in the Town of Tisbury on the (Month & date not mention[d] in return) 1841

Males under Twenty One & Females under Eighteen years of age as pr reports Of the several School Committees for S[d] Town was 423 as follows Viz

South Dist	78	School proportion of money	$118.05
N. W.	49	" " "	74.15 6
Lamberts Cove	32	" " "	48.43 2
N E	29	" " "	43.88 6
H H South	176	" " "	266.57 6
H H North	59	" " "	89.29
Total	423	Total	640.19.3

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualifide to Vote by the Constitution & Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Holden at the Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on Monday the 4 day of April 1842

The following Votes were passed in the Affirmative Viz Voted to Chose

1st Capt Charles Smith Moderator of the Meeting

2[d] Asa Johnson Town Clerk sworn

3[d] Jabez Luce	sworn	
4 Alfred Norton	sworn	Select Men
5 Jonathan Luce Jr	sworn	

Voted that the Town Treasurer shall Receive Eight dollars for his Salery, Charles Cottle was Chosen

Standing	Alfonso D. Luce	West Tisbury
School	Eliakim Norton	Lumberts Cove
Committy	Charles A. Luce	Holmes Hole

Attest Asa Johnson *Town Clerk*

Voted for Prudential School Committee

1	Obid Nickerson	West Tisbury
2	Haratio G. Norton	Lumberts Cove
3	Alfred Norton	North East
4	Franklin Gray	North East
5	George Dunham	Holmes Hole South
6	John Holmes	do North

Voted & Chosen John Johnson
James Cleavland
Edmund Cottle
Charles Look
Hiram Dexter
} Surveyors of Highways

sworn Silvanus Luce Constable

Voted that Barnard Luce sworn

sworn James Look
Tristrim Luce
Charles Smith
} Fence Viewers

Voted that Nathan Smith surveyors of wood & Bark

Voted that John Lumbert
Davis Look
William Andrews
} Surveyors of Lumber

Voted that Obid Nickerson
Theodore Luce
Nathan Smith
Silvanus Luce
John Smith
} Field Drivers

Voted that Bernard Luce Sworn
Ira Dexter Pound keepers

Voted
Davis Cottle
Charles West
Thomas H Smith
Charles A Luce
Henry Bradley
} Health Committee

Voted That Thomas Bradley be a committee to Settle with the Selectmen & Town Treasurer & Tranfer the Books to Charles Cottle

Voted that William Andrews be Collector of Taxes the ensuing at $3\frac{1}{4}$ pr ct

Voted

To Raise the sum of six Hundred Dollars for Public Schools & that the Interest of the Surplus Rev be added & Also the State Fund

Voted that the Petition of Thomas Bradley & others in regard Heth Hen be laid on the Table

Votes for County Treasurer thirty Six for William A. Mayhew

Voted that the Poor of the Town be left to Care of Selectmen

Voted the Meeting be adjourned untill the 6 day of May at one O clock P. M.

Attest Asa Johnson *Town Clerk*

Met, According to Adjournment on Friday the 6 of May at 1 O clock P. M. the Meeting was cald to order by the Clerk & the following Votes were pasd

Voted that Jonathan Luce Jr be moderator

Voted that Charles A Luce be excused from serving as School Commity & vote that Mathe P Butler serve in his Room

Voted that the Report of the Commity that settled the Accts of Treasurer & Select men, be Accepted

Voted Thomas Barrows & John Holmes be a Committy to settle with Eliakim Norton & that Capt Thomas Bradley be an agent to attend to settlement on the part of the Town

Voted that One Thousand Dollars be Rais'd for the ensuing Year to pay the expences of the Town

Voted that the Treasury be required to give Bonds

Voted That the Town Clerk be requested to Notify the Treasurer to call up all Delinquent Collecttors

Voted, that two Hundred dollars be Raised to Repair Highways Bridges &c

Voted that George D. Cottle Highway Tax for 1840 be remitted

Voted That Mr Rollin Luces Taxes be remitted altogether

Voted that James Cleavland & Elijah Luce & Mayhew Luce have the Privilege of working out their Highway Tax in John Cottles Bill

Voted Doc^{t} grayes Bill be allowed

Voted That Paulima Dunhas Bill be allowed $2.50^{cts}

Voted that $^{Mr.}$ Hebron Crowell be allowed 290 Dollers for Keeping the Poor should be aditions he is to have an allowance in the same proportion as he receives them, that he now has & should their be Deaths or removals he is to deduct in the same proportion

Voted that the Law for the Preservation of the Grouse or Heath Hen, be so far suspended in the Town of Tisbury, as to Allow the Inhabitants of Sd Town to kill, take or sell grouse, or heath hen, from the first day of Dec,, to the Tenth Day of Dec next,, Inclusive Provide they Hunt then without the Aid of Dogs.

Voted that District No 1 be devided & Bounded as pr Ledger Page 9

ASA JOHNSON, *Town Clerk*

The following Division of School District No 1 was a Vote of The Town of Tisbury May 6th 1842

Whereas the Limits of the School District No 1 in West Tisbury is such that all of the Inhabitants can not be benefitted by the Town School unless there be more than One District we Robert Athearn Alexander Athearn & Jonathan Athearn & Jonathan Athearn Jr & William Athearn & John Williams & Thomas Waldround & Warren Walddround & Daniel Manter & Henery Robinson therefore Pray that the sd District be Divided into two Seperate Districts & the line be as follows begining at the head of the Deep Bottom Cove & by the old head Ditch, of Sississa, Neck then West by sd Ditch to Land of James Look then Northeast to the Mill Road then Easterly by sd Road to Edgartown Line & all to the South to be Called Watchey District

At a Meeting of the District being Warned for the purpose it was voted the above Petition should be Granted & the Line Established as above Named as Records there of being made on the District Records the above Mentioned Meeting Sept 24th 1841

ASA JOHNSON *Moderator*

WILLIAM S VINCENT *Clerk of Sd District*

Pursuant to a Notice from Silvanus Luce Constable of Tisbury & by his Producing a Venire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas the Select Men & Town Clerk Assembled at the House of Asa Johnson to draw from the Jury Box five good & Lawful Men to serve as Grand Jurors & five good men of like qualifications to serve as Travers Jurors at the Court of common Pleas the following Persons were Drawn

Grand Jurors	Traverse Jurors
Elisha Dunham	Stephens Luce Jr
Walter Hillman	Shubael Merry
Hiram Chase	Daniel Mantor
William S. Vincent	James Look
Edmund Luce	Davis Cottle

Pursuant to a Notice from Sylvanus Luce Constable for the purpose of drawing four good & Lawfull Men from the jury Box to serve as travers juyors at next Circuit Court, to be held at Edgartown Sept 27th 1842 the following persons were Drawn,

John Lumbert
Franklin Gray
Grafton Luce
Jacob Clifford

Attest Asa Johnson
Town Clerk
Tisbury Sept 17th 1842

Whole number of Children in the Town of Tisbury on the first day of June 1842 between the ages of foure & sixteen years was 431
the whole amount of money apropriated by the Town was $799.50
— No of Schollars proportion of Money —

Schollars in S. E. Destrict		16	$29.68
	South do	52	96.46
	North West	52	96.46
	Lumberts Cove	35	64 92
	North East do	32	59 36
	Holmes Hole South	179	332 04½
	do North do	65	120 57½
		431	$799.50

Attest Asa Johnson *T. Clerk*

Met, agreeable to warent Nov the 14 1842 at the time and place an for purposes specified therein the Meeting being calld to order by the Select Men proceeded to the choice Govenor the following persons received

Ballots	Marcus Morton	Eighty five	85 Votes
	John Davis	fifty two	52
	Samuel E. Sewall	twelve	12

For Lieutenant Govenor the following persons Rec Votes

William Jackson had	thirteen	13
George Hull do	forty eight	48
Henry H Childs	Eighty nine	89
John H Shaw	One	1

For Representative to Congress

Caleb Belcher	fourteen	14
Booker Burnell	fifty one	51
John H Shaw	Seventy seven	77
William A Mayhew	One	1
Alfred Norton	One	1

For State Senator

John P Norton	Eighty four	84
Horatio G Norton	one	1
Benjamin Davis	fourteen	14
Eliakim Norton	one	1
Petter Norton	one	1
George P. Upton	forty two	42
Booker Burnell	two	2

the following persons were Voted for Representative

Alfred Norton	had seventy three
William Daggett	thirteen
Matthew Merry	Seven
Sylvanus Luce	two
Petter Norton	One
William A Mayhew	forty seven

Alfred had the gratest number of Votes and was declared to be Chosen Representative to the general Court

Agreable to a warrant from the select men of the Town of Tisbury Nov 14th 1842 to see if the Town will adopt any Measures to prevent the illegal Hunting and shooting of grous or Heath hens, during the first ten days of December next

Agreeable to the Petition of Thomas Bradley and others A Moderator was chosen and the following Votes were taken theiron

that Robert Mantor
James Look
Davis Look
Nathan Smith
Sylvanus Luce
Charles West
George Dexter — be a Committy of Vigalence to see that persons out of the Town of Tisbury do not Trespas on the rights of

Town of Tisbury during the ten first days of December in shooting or killing Heath hen — also Voted the above be Printed in the New Bedford Mercury and Weekly Register

Attest Asa Johnson *Town Clerk*

At a Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Jany 16th 1843

To See what disposition the Town would make of the surplus revenue money now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Common wealth the, Note which the Town of Tisbury holds against the Commonwealth for said money expires November 30th 1842.

Jonathan Luce Moderator Charles G Athearn Clerk, Protem. Voted to hire, the Money to the State. Viz. the Surplus, money, the Vote was doubted and lost by a majority of two twenty against, eighteen.

Charles G Athearn *Clerk Protem*

Motion by Mr Vincient, and,

1 Voted that the surplus revenue be brot home and divided according to the Population.

2d Voted that the Town Treasurer be the agent to bring the Money home and deposit it in his office

3d Voted that ten dollars be allowed to C G Athearn to take the number of the Inhabitants by the first of April next and make his returns to the Select men of sd Town

4 Voted that the Clerk be instructed to notify the Treasurer to call the money home.

Tisbury Jany 16th 1843

Attest Asa Johnson *Town Clerk*

At a legall Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Babtist Vestry in the Village of Holmes Hole on the 17th day of april 1843 for the Choice of Town Officers and the transaction of other necessary Business, Johnathan Luce Jr was chosen Moderator and Parmenas Parsons Town Clerk (sworn) for the ensuing year — on Motion

Voted To adjourn the meeting forthwith to the wharf Store situated on the Beach at the head of the Holmes Hole Harbour Met according to Adjournment and proceeded to the choice of Select Men for the ensuing year the following persons were

Voted for and chosen Viz

Select Men	Presberry Norton
	Harriff Mayhew
	Jeremiah Manter

Voted That the treasurer be also a Collecter of Taxes

Voted for Town Treasurer & collecter of Taxes — Charles Cottle.

Voted. that the discount specified by Law be allowed for the prompt payment of Taxes the ensuing year

Voted. that the Collecter of Taxes receive as a compensation Three pr ct for the collecting of Taxes the ensuing year —

Voted. that the Town Treasurer receive Eight dollars for all servises which he may render whils^{t} acting in the Capacity of Treasuer the ensuing year. —

Voted & chose for Examining school Committee for the ensuing year the following persons viz

for Holmes Hole	Leroy M. Yale
North Shore	Davis Cottle
West Tisbury	Wm A. Mayhew

Voted for Surveyors of Highways	Nathan Smith	(sworn)
	Horatio G. Norton	(sworn)
	W^{m} H Davis	
	Ulysus P. Luce	
	Johnathan Athearn	
Voted for Constables	James D Peakes	(sworn)
	Alponzo Luce	
Voted for Field Drivers	Tristam Luce	
	Chas G. Smith	(sworn)
	Manuell Joseph	
	Shubael Weekes Jr	
	Benjamin F. Smith	
	Constant Norton	
	Ulysus P. Luce	
Voted for Fence Viewers	Tristam Luce	
	Thos. H Smith	
	George Dunham	
Voted for Surveyors of Lumber		
	William Andrews	
	W^{m} A Robinson	
	James D. Peekes	
	Davis Look	

Voted for Surveyors of Wood & Bark Ira Dexter
Charles G Smith (sworn)

Voted for Pound Keepers
Presberry Luce
Huvvy Luce

Voted for Committee on acounts Thos L. Barrows

Voted That the Town Treasurer be Authorised to Loan the Surplus Revenue unto the Secratary of the Commonwealth for a Term not exceeding Five years at 5 pr ct per Anum.

Voted To Adjourn this Meeting to the 6th of May next at 1 O Clock P. M. then to meet at this same place

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk.*

Pursuant to A Legall notice from James D Peekes Constable of Tisbury and by his producing A Vernire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one Suitable Man of good Morall character to serve at Sd Court as Traverse Jury. (Sd Court to be held at Barnstable within and for Sd county of Barnstable & Dukes County on the 9th May 1843 —)

The Select Men and Town Clerk being present at Sd Meeting holden April 28th 1843 drew from the Jury Box the name of Charles Smith, to serve at Sd Court as Traverse Jury

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Met according to Adjournment May 6th 1843 the Meeting was Call'd to order by the Moderator and then proceeded to the choice of Town Officers for the ensuing year and also to the transaction of other Important Business — The following persons were Voted for and chosen Select Men viz

Tristram Luce	sworn	to the office of Select Men & Assessors
Eliakim Norton	sworn	by B. Allen Justice of Peace as appears
Wm S Vincent	sworn	by certificate to the office of Assesor P. Parsons

Voted For Town Treasurer Charles Cottle (sworn)

Voted That the Treasurer be appointed A collecter of Taxes

Voted For Prudential School Committee

Alfred Norton	North East
Willard Luce	
Wm H Davis	
Wm Athearn	
Chas. West	North Holmes Hole

Voted That the Standing School Committee consult with the Prudential Committee in relation to the procuring of Teachers

Voted For Fence Viewers Barnard Luce (sworn)
James Cleavland (sworn)

Voted For pound Keepers
Barnard Luce (sworn)
Hillyard Norton

Voted For Hog Reeves Chas. A Luce
Chas. G Luce

Voted Surveighers of Highways Sanford Vincent (sworn May 10th)
Chas Look

Voted For Constable Wm Andrews

Voted For Field Drivers Huvvy Luce (sworn May 9th)
Timothy B Lovell

Voted For surveighers of Lumber James D Peekes (sworn May 9th)
John W. Howland (sworn May 12th)
Davis Look
Wm Robinson (sworn May 8th)

For County Treasurer	Davis Cottle	Two Votes	2
	Wm A Mayhew	Twenty seven	27
	Solaman Athearn	One	1
	James A Jones	One	1
	Barnard Luce	One	1
		Total	32

Voted That the report of the Committee On Accounts be accepted

Voted That the sum of Two dollars & thirteen cents Standing against Charles Smith (formauly Collecter of Taxes) be dischargd

Voted That the Town Treasurer be Authorisd to employ an Attorney to aid him in collecting debts now due the Town

Voted That the Town Treauser consult an Attorney as regards the Legality of the Bonds that have been given by delinquent Collecters

Voted That Charles Smith be a Committee on part of the Town and Thos Barrows on the part of Eliakim Norton to make deposal Of A charge Of Thirty two dollars now Standing against Sd Norton formally Collecter of Taxes — & report forthwith

Voted That Thos. Bradley be Agent for the Town to present before the above committee Information respecting the aforsaid claim

Voted That the sum of Nine hundred dollars ($900) be rais^{d} for the support of The Towns poor & for Incidentall charges

Voted That the sum of Five hundred & fifty dollars be rais^{d} for support of Public Schools.

The Committee on the case of Eliakim Norton report that they have decided that S^{d} Norton pay to the Town the sum of Eighteen dollars & be discharg^{d} from the before Mention^{d} claim Mr Norton agrees to this dission

Voted That the sum of Two hundred dollars be rais^{d} for the the repairs of High Ways Town Ways & Bridges

Voted That the Town Treasurer with the advice & consent of the select Men Loan out the surplus Revenue unto Individuals in sums not exceeding Five hundred dollars on good security

Voted That Guide Boards be erected in the Town of Tisbury under the direction of the select men

Voted That the poor of the Town be entrusted to the Care of no person who is not an Inhabitant of the Town of Tisbury

Voted That the report of the School Committee be Accepted

Voted That the Meeting ajourn without day

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to A Notice from James D Peekes Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a Vernire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, The Select Men and Town Clerk Assembled at the House of Parmenas Parsons to draw from the Jury Box Six good & Lawful Men to serve as Grand Jurors & five Men who are of like qualification to serve as Traverse Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas of this Commonwealth within and for the County of Dukes County to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday of May 1843 — The following persons were legally drawn May 13th

Grand Jurors	Franklin Gray	Asa Johnson
	Timothy Luce	Nathan Mayhew
	David Smith	Tristam Luce Jr
Traverse Jury	Frederick Smith	Eliakim Norton
	Hiram Dexter	Thomas Barrows
	John Holmes	

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

At a Legall town Meetting holden on the 31st of May 1843 at the Wharf Store Situated on the long Beach in Holmes Hole for the purposes specified in the warrant. The following Votes were passd in the affirmative

Voted For Moderator Presbury Norton

Voted That the Town take measures to provide a Habitation for Mr John Lewess who has calld upon the Town for assistince

Voted That the Select Men are Authorisd to procure a Habitation for the said J. Lewess at the expence of the Town

Voted That the Select Men are also Authorisd to appropriate any money that is not now appropriated belonging to the Town and if necessary hire such sum as will be sufficient, to carry into execution the foregoing Vote

Voted To adjourn without day —

Attest Parmenas Parsons
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a Legal Notice from James D Peakes Constable of Tisbury the Select Men and Town Clerk assembled at the Town Clerks office on the 6″ of Sept 1843 for the purpose of drawing from the Jury Box four good and Lawfull Men to serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas of this Commonwealth to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday of September 1843

The following persons were accordingly drawn

Peter Norton Edmund Cottle Truman Allen Jr Presberry Luce

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

At a Legall Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections. for Govenor Lieutenant Governor Senators and Representatives in General Court holden at the Union Wharf Store in the Town of Tisbury on Monday the 13″ of Nov A D 1843 at 9 O. Clock A M being the Second Monday of Sd Month and the Sixty years of the Independence of the United States —

Said Inhabitants being assembled for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Govenor Lieut. Gov & Senator for Dukes and Nantucket County and Representative to General Court to be holden on the first wednesday of Jany Next and also to bring in their Votes for a Representative to the Congress of the United States for District No. Ten Gave in their Votes as follows

	Marcus Morton	ninety	90
For Govr	George N. Briggs	Sixty Eight	68
	Samuell E. Sewall	fourteen	14
Leu^{t} Govr	John Reed	Sixty Seven	67
	William Jackson	fourteen	14
	Henry Childs	Ninety	90
Senator for	William Bunker	ninety	90
Dukes & Nan^{t}	Benjamin Davis	fourteen	14
coun^{y}	Obed Barney	Sixty Seven	67
Votes	Sampson Perkins	Eighty nine	89
For Representive	Joseph Grinnell	Sixty five	65
to Congress for	Caleb Belcher	thirteen	13
Districk No 10	John Reed	One	1
		Ballots	168

Voted To send a Representative to represent this Town in the next General Court to be holden in Boston on the fourth Wednesday of Jany next — after Balloting a number of times and not being able to Effect any Choice I was.

Voted To adjourn the meeting without day

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden in the Wharf Store in Holmes Hole on the 13th day of November 1843 to See if the Town will Vote hereafter to hold the Meetings for the choice of Electors for the President and Vice President of the United States and Members of Congress alternately in the eastern and Western parishes It was

Voted 1st To Choose a Moderator to preside at Said Meeting Johnathan Luce, was according Chosen

Voted 2^{d} That the (before Mentioned subject) be postponed untill the next Anuall Meeting then and there to be brought up for further consideration

Voted 3^{d} To adjourn without day

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Personally appear^{d} before me Thos N. Hillman and took the oath prescrib^{d} by Law as a collector of Taxes for the Town of Tisbury in the place of Wm Andrews deceas^{d}

Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

A legall Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury was holden in the Wharf Store at Holmes Hole on the 13th day of Nov 1843 at 1/4 past 3 O. Clock P M for the following purpose Viz To See if the Town will Vote to remonstrate against the petition of Richard Flanders and others in relation to the laying out a County Road. and also to choose a Moderator to preside at Sd Meeting — After reading the Warrant

Voted & Chose Jonathan Luce Moderator —

Voted To adjourn the Meeting without day —

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk.*

At a legall Meeting of the qualified Voters Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Wharf Store in the Village of Holmes Hole on Monday the 27th day of November 1843 for the purpose of bringing in there Votes for One Representative to represent the Town of Tisbury in the Next General court after one Ballotting and no Choice being effected It was movd & Seconded that the Meeting ajourn without day. to be determind by the yeas & nays of the House — A Majority being in favour of the adjournment. It was declared A Vote & the Meeting adjournd accordingly

Attest Parmenas Parsons

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at the Baptist meeting House in the village of West Tisbury on the first day of April 1844. for the choice of Town Officers and transacting other necessary business Charles Smith was Chosen Moderator & Alphonso D Luce Town Clerk (sworn) for the ensuing year. on motion

Voted to keep open the Polls for County Treasurer untill one o clock P M

Voted to lay the anual Report of the select Men on the table to be called up and acted upon at the adjournment of this Meeting

Voted to accept the list of the persons for jurors as prescribed by the Select Men

Voted and chose for Select Men: William A Mayhew, George Dunham, Alfred Norton — sworn

Voted that the Select Men act as assesors and overseers of the Poor

Voted that the town Treasurer be allowed eight dollars for his services

Voted and chose Parmenas Parsons Town Treasurer

Votes for County	for	William A Mayhew	Sixty one	61
Treasurer were	for	Charles Smith	One	1
				—
				62

Voted — to hear the report of the School Committee which was accordingly read and accepted

Voted to accept the bills of Wm A Mayhew 5,,00
and Davis Cottle 10,,00
———
$1500

for services rendered as school Committee

Voted for School Committee Wm A Mayhew — S. E.
M. P. Butler — H. H.
Davis Cottle — N. S

Voted for surveyers of Highways

Chas Smith	for E.	district	sworn
Wm S Vincent	" S	— Do	(sworn)
Wm N. Gray	" N W	— Do	
Eliakim Norton	" North	— Do	
Chas Look	" N. W.	— Do	

Voted that the surveyers of highway have no extry pay

Voted for Constables Thos N. Hillman ,,sworn,,
Jabez Luce

Voted for Pound Keepers Bernard Luce (sworn)
Thos N. Hillman

Voted for Fence Viewers Bernard Luce sworn
Jas Look sworn
Jas Cleaveland sworn
Shubal Luce
Chas Look

Voted for surveyers of Lumber
Jas D. Peakes sworn
Jno W. Howland
Davis Look
John Lumbert

Voted for field drivers
M. P. Butler
Natham Smith
Hovey Luce

Voted for surveyers of Wood & Bark
Bartlett Allen sworn
Ira Dexter
Voted for Hog Reaves Henry Mantor
Sylvanus Mantor
John Hursell
Isaac Daggett

Voted that the sum for collecting taxes be set at auction

Voted that Bartlett Allen be and was chosen collecter of Town taxes at 3 pr ct by giving Bonds „Sworn„

Voted to appropriate so much of the surplus revenue as is required to take up the Towns Notes

Voted to appropriate such a quantity of the surplus revenue as would be required to build a town house

Voted that a committee of five be chosen to define the location of said house the same at the adjourned Meeting

Viz Jas Look
Bernard Luce
Bartlett Allen
Thos Bradley
Alfred Norton

Voted the eleventh article in the warrant be indefinately postponed

Voted that the Select men lay out a road in the village of Holmes Hole Beginning at the town road and leading to the county road

Voted that Richard G Luce Thos Bradley & Thos Barrows be a committee to assist the Select Men in laying out said road

Voted that Chas Cottles Bill be laid over to the adjournment

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the last monday in April at 1 oclock P M at this House

Attest Alphonso D. Luce *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Tisbury holden at the baptist meeting house in the western Parish April 26 – 1844 for the purpos of Voting for one special County commissioner the whole number of Votes given in were five for Bartlett Allen five 5

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N Hillman Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a vernire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Barnstable to draw one Suitable Man of good Moral character to serve at Sd Court as Travers Juror said Court to be holden at Barn-

stable within and for (S^d County of Barnstable & Dukes County on the day of May 1844)

The Select men and Town Clerk being present at S^d meeting holden April 26# 1844 drew from the jurors Box the name of Shubael Weeks 2^d to Serve at S^d Court as Travers juror

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

Personally appeared Geo. Dunham & Alfred Norton before me and took the oath prescribed by law as assessors

Tisbury April 26 – 1844 ALPH^o D LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met according to adjournment April 29. 1844

the meeting was called to order by the Clerk and William Davis chosen moderator

Voted & chose Alphonso D Luce Town Treasurer sworn

Voted for Prudential School Committee

William Athearn	for S. E.	District
James Look	" S	Do
William H Davis	" N. W.	Do
Alfred Norton	" N. E	Do
Bartlett Allen	" H Hole S	Do
John Holmes	" " " N	Do

Voted for Surveyer of Highway Shubel Weeks 2^d

Voted and chose for field drivers

Thomas Cathcart (sworn)
Samuel Thompson (sworn)
Ge^o Dunham
Zephaniah Bennett
Ja^s D Peaks,, (sworn)
Moses T Cromwell

Voted and chose for Surveyer of Lumber

W^m A Robinson

Voted and chose for Constables Ja^s D Peakes sworn
Alph^o D Luce sworn

Voted and chose for Hog Reaves Alphonso D Luce
Asa Johnson

Voted to raise the sum of six hundred dollars ($600) for the support of public Schools

Voted to balance the Treausers books in account with Jas. D Peakes Collecter for the year 1835

Voted that the account with John Cottle for the year 1835 standing against Ja^{s} D Peakes for which he has vouchers be eraced and balanced

Voted that the account standing against George Athearn be also Balanced

Voted that one thousand dollars ($1000.) be raised for the Support of poor and incidental charges

Voted that two hundred dollars [$200,) be raised for the repairs of Highways

Voted to reconsider the votes passed at the anual meeting relative to appropriating certain sums of the surpluss revenue for building a town house and taking up the town notes

Voted that the surpluss revenue now in the possession of the town be divided among the several School districts according to the population for the purpose of Education

Voted that each district transmit to the clerk a list of the inhabitance in sd district before the first day of July next with their names written at full length

Voted the prudential School committee be officers for the above purpose

Voted that the Select men divide the Surpluss revenue among the several districts by the first of August 1844

Voted to Allow Charles Cottle ten dollars ($10.) for services in taking care of the surplus revenue

Voted that the Select men be directed to erect Guide board in the town of Tisbury

Voted to remit the taxes of Tho$^{s.}$ Waldrons Est an of Elisha Dunham

Voted that the Select men dispose of the poor according to their judgment

Voted to adjourn

Attest Alphonso D Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N Hillman Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a vernire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas the select men assembled at the baptist meeting house in the west parish to draw from the jurors Box six good and lawful men to serve as Grand jurors and five men of like qualifications to serve as Traverse Jurors at the court of Common Pleas of this Commonwealth

within and for the County of Dukes County to be holden at Edgartown on the last monday of May 1844 the following persons were legally drawn

May 11th 1844

Grand Jurors

Charles Baxter	Charles West
Hovey Luce	Jonathan Athearn
Charles Luce	Charles G Athearn

Traverse Jurors Geo. W Cleaveland
William A Robinson
Theodore Luce
Washington Adams
Shubael Luce

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N Hillman Constable of Tisbury the select men and Town Clerk assembled at the selectmen's office on the 23 day of September 1844 for the purpose of drawing from the jurors Box five good & lawful men to serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of common Pleas of this Commonwealth to be holden at Edgartown on the last monday of Said month the following persons were accordingly drawn Robert Athearn David Nickerson William Look Harriph Mayhew and Charles A Luce

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections for Governor Lieu Governer and Senator & representative in General Court, holden at the baptist meeting house in the west parish on Monday the 11th of Novembr 1844 at 11 oclock A M being the Second monday of Sd month Sd inhabitants did then & there give in their votes as follows

For Governor	Geo. Bancroft	ninety six	96
	Geo. N Briggs	eighty six	86
	Samuel E Sewell	twelve	12
			194
For Lieu Govr	Henry H Childs	ninety seven	97
	John Reed	eighty five	85
	William Jackson	twelve	12
			194

For Senator	Walter Hillman	ninety seven	97
for Nantucket	William Mitchael	eighty five	85
& Dukes Co	Oliver C Gardner	twelve	12
			194

For Representative	Edward Green	ninety six	96
to Congress	Joseph Grinnell	eighty five	85
	Caleb Belcher	10	10
			191

For Electors at large

Gayton P Osgood of Andover	eighty nine
S. C. Allen of Northfield	eighty nine
Abbot Laurence of Boston	eighty three
Lewis Strong of Northampton	eighty three
Joel Hayden of Williamsburg	Eight
John G Whittier of Amesbury	Eight

For District

No 1	Charles G Greene	eighty nine	
	Nathan Appleton	eighty three	
	Timothy Gilbert	eight	
No 2	Ebenezer H Stacy	of Goucester	Eighty nine
	John P Allen	" Manchester	eighty three
	Nathan D Chase	Lynn	eight
No 3	Hiram Plummer	of Haverhill	eighty nine
	Homer Bartlett	of Lowell	eighty three
	Willard Brown	of Do	eight
No 4	Charles Thompson	of Charleston	ninty eight
	Abram R Thompson	of Do	eighty three
	John Fletcher	of Acton	eight
No 5	J S C Knowlton	of Worcester	eighty nine
	Chas Allen	of Do	eighty three
	Phineas Crandall	of Do	eight
No 6	H G. Newcomb	of Greenfield	eighty nine
	William B Calhoun	" Springfield	eighty three
	John Dickerson Jr	" Amherst	eight
No 7	Orrin Sage	of Blantford	eighty nine
	Chauncy B Rising	of Worthington	eighty three
	Edward Caselle	of Williamstown	eight

No 8	Dr Antemas Brown	of Medford	eighty nine
	Elijah Vose	of Dorchester	eighty three
	Jesse Wheaton	of Dedham	eight
No 9	William Baylies	of West Bridgwater	eighty three
	Peter H Pierce	of Middleboro	eighty nine
	Laban M Wheaton	of Norton	eight
No 10	John H Shaw	of Nantucket	eighty nine
	Seth Crowell	of Dennis	eighty three
	Gilbert Richmond	of New Bedford	eight

For Representative to Gen. Court

Matthew P Butler ninty six chosen Adjourned

Attest Alphonso D Luce *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held at the Union wharf Store on the 7th day of April 1845 for the choise of Town Officers and Transacting other necessary business Bartlett Allen was chosen Moderater & Henry Bradley Town Clerk (sworn) for the ensuing year, — on Motion —

Voted, To chose the selectmen on single ballot

Voted, and Chosen for Select Men	George Dunham	sworn
	Alfred Norton	sworn
	Wm A Mayhew	sworn

Voted the Select men act as overseers of the poor

Voted, and Chose Alphonso Luce, Town Treasurer

Voted that the Town Treasurer be allowed Eight Dollars for his services

Voted that the collector be allowed $2^3/_4$ per cent on all Moneys paid into the Tresur

Voted that the Discount of 6 per cent for 30 days 4 per cent for 60 days & 2 per cent for 120 days be allowed for prompt payment of Taxes for the ensuing year

Voted that the Treasurer be Collector

Votes for County Treasurer	for Wm A Mayhew	Seventy six	76
	for Bartlett Allen	one	1
	Leroy M Yale	one	1
			78

Voted for School Committee Leroy M Yale
Edmond Cottle
Wm A Mayhew

Voted for Surveyer of High Way	Nathan Smith	sworn
	Wm S Vincent	sworn
	Wm Chase	sworn
	Chas Cottle	
	Chas Look	
Voted for Constable	Thos N Hillman	sworn
	James D Peaks	sworn
Voted for Pound Keepers	Barnard Luce	(sworn)
	William Norton	(sworn)
Voted for Fence Vewers	Charles Look	
	Trestram Luce	(sworn)
	Davis Cottle	
	Zepheniah Bennett	(sworn)
	James Cleaveland	(sworn)
Voted for Surveyers of Lumber	William A Robinson	(sworn)
	John W Howland	(sworn)
	James D Peaks	(sworn)
	Charles Luce	(sworn)
	Nathaniel N Peaks	
	Davis Look	(sworn)
Voted for Field Drivers	Moses T. Cromwell	sworn
	Dennis Dexter	sworn
	Nathan Smith	
	Hovey Luce	sworn
	James A Jones	
	Edward West	sworn
	Freeman Luce Jr	
Voted for Surveyers of Wood & Bark	Charles Cottle	(sworn)
	John W Howland	(sworn)
Voted for Hog Reaves	Freeman Lewis Jr	
	Peter West	
	Thos L Norton	

Voted that Alfred Norton be Prudential Committee for N Shore District

Voted that $1100 be raised to support the poor and defray incidental Charges

Voted that $800 be raised for Schools

Voted that $200 be raised for High Ways

Voted, that the High Way Taxes Shall be assessed upon the polls and

estates of the inhabitants residents, and non Residents of this Town, as other Town charges are assessed, and the same shall be collected as other Town taxes are collected

Voted that the several Surveyers shall notify all persons to work out their High Way Tax If they do work out there Tax the Surveyer shall Give them a certificate to the Select Men for the same If not the Surveyers shall draw out the money and expend on the High Way

Voted that all neat Cattle Horses & Swine Shall not run at large within the limits of this Town the year ensuing

Voted to remitt the High Way Taxes for 1843

of Thos H Smith	$1.02
Dennis Dexter	22
	$1.24

Voted that we accept the report of the Select Men as laid out by them

Voted That $117. be raised to defray the expences on this Road

adjourned Without day

Attest Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

We The subscribers Select Men of the Town of Tisbury have laid out for the use of the S^d^ Town a Town way as follows: — Beginning at the westerly end of High Street so called at the south west corner of a Lot of Land belonging to Franklin Brown at a post then standing in a fence Thence running South sixty eight degrees west ten Rods and fourteen feet, Thence North eight degrees west nine Rods & eight feet. Thence South eighty nine degrees west seventy two Rods, Thence South thirty two degrees west Sixty Rods Thence South three degrees west seventeen Rods to the County road leading from Holmes Hole to West Tisbury said road to be thirty feet wide in all its parts and. to take its width on the left hand from the place of beginning to the end thereof.

And we allowed the several owners of the lands over which said road passes for their damage as follows To

Nathan Smith	eighty five Dollars	8500
Thos N Hillman	Sixteen Dollars	1600
Warren Cleaveland	nine Dollars	900
Jane Luce	Seven Dollars	700
		$11 700

And we hereby allow the several owners of the land aforesaid thirty days from the of the acceptance of this report by the Town, to take off the wood now Standing or Growing on the same Which said Road is hereby reported to the Town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is to be forever after Known as a public High way or Town way

Dated at Tisbury the Twenty fifth day of October 1844

Wm A Mayhew, Geo Dunham, Alfred Norton } *selectmen of Tisbury*

Attest Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

Persuent to A Legal notice from Thos N Hillman Constable of Tisbury and by his producing A venior from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one suitable man of good moral character to serve at Sd Court as Traverse Jury (Sd Court to be held at Barnstable within and for Sd County of Barnstable & Dukes county on the 6th may 1845 The Select men and Town Clerk being present at Sd meeting holden april 21 1845 drew from the Jurors Box the name of Leander West to serve at sd Court of Travers Jurors

Attest

Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Legal Notice from Thos N Hillman Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the court of common Pleas The Select men assembled at the store of H & C Bradley in said Tisbury to draw from the Jurors Box five good and Lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors and five men of like qualifications to serve as traverse Jurors at the court of Common Pleas of this commonwealth within and for the County of Dukes County to be holden at Edgartown on the Last Monday of May 1845

The following persons were legally drawn May 5,, 1845

Grand Jurors
Parmenus Parsons
Benjamin Reynolds
Shubeal Luce
Wm Look
Davis Look

Traverse Jurors Wm H Davis
Jarard Vincent
Shubeal Merry
Jirah Luce
John W Howland

Attest
HENRY BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Whole number of Scholars in the Town of Tisbury in the several Districts between the ages of four & Sixteen is four hundred & ninty two as follows

		scholars		money
Holmes Hole South District		204 –	177 =	361,,08
Do Do North	Do	68 =	,,	120,,36
North East	Do	33 =	,,	58,,41
Lamberts Cove	Do	35 =	,,	61,,95
North West	Do	67 =	,,	118,,59
South	Do	73 –	,,	129,,21
South East	Do	12	,,	21,,24
		$492		$870 84

Attest HENRY BRADLEY *T Clerk*

This certifies that we the subscribers assessors of Tisbury have assessed — a school District Tax on the property of Rufus Davis a non resident in the Holmes Hole North school District

GEO DUNHAM
ALFRED NORTON } *assessors of Tisbury.*
W A MAYHEW

Tisbury July 6 1845

Attest HENRY BRADLEY
Town clerk

We the subscribers Select men of the Town of Tisbury and Edgartown in Dukes County have this day being the twentieth day of August A D 1845 met agreeable to a notice given by the select men of Edgartown being the most Ancient Town for the purpose of perambutating and running the lines and renewing the marks between our said Towns and having attended to that duty make the following Report, Viz,

Beginning at a stone standing near the Road leading from Holmes Hole to West Tisbury at a place Tashmoo proceeding to a stone at the

south point of Watcha examining all the intervening bounds and found them sufficient for the purposes for which they were erected

H P Mayhew } *Select men of*
Benj Davis } *Edgartown*
Wm A Mayhew }
alfred Norton } *Select men of Tisbury*

Tisbury Augt 20th 1845
attest Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

We the subscribers Selectmen of the Towns of Tisbury and Chilmark in Dukes County have this day being the twelfth day of Augt A D 1845 met agreeable to a notice given by the Select men of Tisbury being the most ansient Town for the purpose of perambulating the lines and renewing the marks between our said Towns and having attended to that duty make the following Report Vis

Beginning at a Stone at the extreme point of Watcha and proceding to a bound or rock liing in the wash of the Vineyard sound examining all the intervening bounds and find them sufficient for the purposes for which they were erected

W A Mayhew
Alfred Norton *Select Men*
Geo Dunham *of Tisbury*

John Hammett *Select men of*
John D Rotch *Chilmark*

Tisbury Sept 12 1845
Attest Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

Pursuent to a legal notice from James D Peaks Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the court of common Pleas The Select men assembled at the store of H & C Bradley in said Tisbury to draw from the Jurors Box five good and lawful men to serve as Petit Jurors at the court of Common Please of this commonwealth within and for the county of Dukes county to holden at Edgartown on the last monday of September 1845

The following persons were legally drawn Sept 13,, 1845

Peleg Barrows
Petit Jurors Henry Bradley
Zedoc Athearn
Ezra Athearn
Benjn Athearn

attest Henry Bradley

At a legal meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in elections for Govenor Leu Govener Senetor and Represantitive in General Court holden at the Hall of the Holmes Hole South District School House in Holmes Hole on Monday of November at 10 O Clock A M 1845 being the Second Monday of Said month. Said inhabitants did then & their give in their vots as follows

Whole number of Votes for Clerk pro tem			29
Charles cottle	twenty seven		27
P Parsons	Two		2
			29

Charles Cottle was chosen & sworn

Governor	George N Brigs	Seventy five	75
	Isaac Davis	Forty one	41
	Samuel E Sewell	Twenty	20
			136
	John Reed	Seventy five	75
	George Severy	Forty one	41
Lieu Gov.	John M Brewster	Twenty	20
			136
	Barker Bernell	Seventy five	75
	John Peirc	Nineteen	19
for Senetor	David Davis	Twenty one	21
	Charles Cottle	Twenty	20
			135

Voted that the Town send a representative this present year

Votes for	Stephen Skiff	Fifty one	51
Represantitive	Johnathan Luce Jr	Thirty three	33
	William Daggett	Sixteen	16
	Alphonso D Luce	Thirty five	35
	Walter Hillman	one	1
	M. P. Spear	one	1
			137

Neccessary for a choice 69

No choice

Second Choice	Stephen Skiff	Sixty one	61
for Represantitive	Alphonso D Luce	Twenty Seven	27
	Johnathan Luce Jr	Twenty one	1
	Wm Daggett	Ten	10
	Scatering	One	1
			120

Stephen Skiff has Sixty one and is chosen 61

After sealing the Votes and filling the a/c Voted, to adjourn without day

Attest Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

At a Legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs held at the Hall in the Holmes Hole South School House on Monday the 23d day of February at one O Clock P. M. Then and there did act on the following Articles

1 Voted Charles Smith Moderator

2 Voted, To Chose a committee

3. Voted. that the said Committee consist of five

4 Voted, That Thos Bradley, Ephraim Harding Benjamin Cleaveland Frederic Smith and Charles G Smith constitute this committee

5 Vot. that the committee be instructed to obtain Legal advice if necessary how to proceede to secure the privillages to the Citizens of Tisbury in the fishery of Chappaquansett Creek and pond

6. Voted that the said Committee after having precured Legal advice may and shall if Such advice render it necessary institute Legal proceedings to secure the rights & privaleges in said fishery to the inhabitants of said Town

7 that the Committee be instructed to pertition to the Legislature

8 Voted, that the Committee be instructed to give Public Notice forbidding any person or persons from putting any obstructions or anoyances of any kind or nature whatever whereby the rights of the Town of Tisbury in said fishery may be impaired

9 Voted when we adjourn we adjourn to the anual Meeting

10 Voted, As the Sence of the meeting that John Manter be placed in the Worcester Insane Hospital under the direction of the Select men

11 Voted we adjourn as above

Attest

Henry Bradley *Town Clerk*

At the annual town meeting of the town of Tisbury held on monday Apl. 6 1846 at the Baptist Meeting house in the west parish of s^d town Voted and Chose

Jonathan Luce pr Moderator

Alphonso D Luce Clerk — sworn —

Voted to adjourn till twelve o clock and open the adjed meeting of February 23 1846

The warrant of s^d meeting not being at hand Voted to reconsider the last vote and procede to the choice of town officers and take up the meet of Feb 23 at 3 o clock

Voted & choice Jabez Luce, Edmund Cottle, Jonathan Luce Jr } Selectmen sworn

Henry Bradley Town Treasurer — sworn —

Votes given in for County Treasurer were as follows

one hundred & thirty seven 137 for

William A Mayhew

Votes given in for register of deeds for Dukes County were as follows

One hundred & fourteen 114 for

Josiah H. Smith

One for Parmenas Parsons

Voted that the town treasurer be allowed 8 dollars for his services

The report of the school Committee and bill for services ($10, each $30) for the past year was red and accepted

Voted for & chose

Matthew P Spear, Chas. Cottle, Thos. Bradly } Standing School Comm.

On motion of Chas. Cottle Esqr the subjarct of raising money for the Support of Common Schools was taken up and the sum of $900, was appropriated for that purpose

Voted & Chose Thomas Barrows Town Comm to Settle with the Select men & Treasurer and make a report of the same at the adjournment

Voted to adjourn to a place provided by the Select men in the west Parish on Monday May 4 at 1 oclock P M

ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

The adjourned Meeting of Feb 23 – 1846 was then called to order by the Moderator and the following votes and resolves passed.

Voted to hear the report of the comm (verbally) which was then made and accepted

Resolved. That Thomas Bradley be the agent of the town of Tisbury with the advice of the Select men to carry all the suits at law that is or may be prosecuted against said town or any of its citizens for fishing or improving Chopaquanset pond or herring creek as a fishery untill the rights and privileges of the inhabitants of s^d town in s^d fishery shall be established by law

Voted that the agent be authorised to borrow money on the credit of the town to defray the expences of suit

Voted to adjourn sine die

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE
Town Clerk

Persuant to a legal notice from Thos N Hillman constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one suitable man of good moral character to serve at sd Court as travers Juror S^d court to be held at Barnstable within and for s^d county of Barnstable and Dukes County on the 5 day of April 1846 The select men and Town Clerk being present at sd meeting held April 22^d 1846 at the Town Clerks office drew from the Jurors Box the name of John Clifford to Serve at S^d court as travers juror

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met according to adjournment at the Baptist meeting house in the west Parish on Monday May 4 – 1846 at 1 O clock P. M. The meeting was called to order by the moderator and the following officers Voted for & chosen

sworn	W^m S Vincent	Surveyers of Highway
sworn	Timothy B.. Lovell	
	Bartlett Pease 2^d	
sworn	Matthew Merry	
sworn	Wm Norton	
Constables	Alphonso D Luce	sworn
	Thomas N Hillman	
	Ja^s D Peak	
Pound Keepers	Prince D Athearn	
	Wm Norton	sworn
	Thomas Cathcart	sworn

Fence Viewers	Alfred Norton	
	Nathan Smith	
	Tristram Luce	sworn
Surveyers	Bartlett Allen	sworn
of Lumber	Chas. Smith	sworn
	M. P. Butler	
	Wm. A Robinson	sworn
	Arvin Weeks	
	Davis Look	sworn
Field	Oobed Nickerson	
Drivers	Wm. Rogers	
	Wm. S Vincent	
	Joseph Smith	
	Slyvanus Luce	
	Moses Morrison	
	Henry Richardson	

Surveyer of wood & Bark M. P. Bark

Sealer of Wts & Measures Ira Dexter

Voted that the Treasurer be autherised to furnish a set of Wts & Measurers of the town at its expence

Voted for	Thos Cath kart	sworn	Hog Reives
& chose	Stillman G Mantor		
	Presbury L Smith		
	Joseph Luce		

Prudential	Wm H Davis	for N. W.	District
School Com.	Alfred Norton	" N. E.	Do
	James Look	" S	Do

Health Committee	H P Worts
	Thos. H Smith
	John Holmes

Voted to omit choosing Tything men

Moved by Chas. Smith to invest the power or authority to hire teachers in the prudential Committee of the sev.l Dists much discussion ensued on the above motion and the moderator decided that it was out of order for two reasons

Viz 1st because the same motion was brought forward at the annual meeting and lost

2d because there was no Such subject inserted in the warrant

Capt Smith then appealed from the decision of the moderator to the

House, the sence of which being taken, it was decided not to abide by the decision of the moderator

Voted to invest the power and authority, to contract with teachers for teaching school, with the prudential school committee

Voted that the fees for collecting, taxes be set at auction

Voted that there be allowed 6 pr cent on all taxes paid within thirty days 4 pr cent for 60 days and 2 pr cent for 120 days

Voted that James D Peaks be Collector of taxes by giving bonds and that he be allowed $2^3/_4$ pr cent for such service

Voted to Raise one thousand dollars ($1000,,) for the support of Poor and incidental expences

Voted to raise two hundred dollars ($200) for the repairs of highway

Voted to collect & expend the highway tax as in 1845

1000,	Sup of Poor & in
900	school
200	highway
2100	

Voted to distrain horses swine neat cattle &c from runing at large in the town

Voted to lay the subject, relating to the county road, on the table

Voted to adjourn sine die

Attest Alphonso D Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N Hillman Constable of Tisbury, and by his producing a venire from the Clerk of the court of common pleas, the selectmen and town clerk assembled at the town clerks office May 11 1846 and drew from the jewrors Box six good and lawful men to Serve as Grand Jurors and four men of like qualifications to serve as Petit Jurors at the court of common Pleas of this Commonwealth within and for the county of Dukes county to be holden at Edgartown on monday May 25 – 1846 The following Persons were legally drawn May 11. 1846

For Grand Jurors John Johnson
Seth Luce
Peter Norton
Baze Norton
John P Merry
Freeman Allen

for Petit Jurors Francis Nye
Dennis Dexter
Wm S Vincent
Jeremiah Crowell

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

on the 25 day of August 1846 personally appeared Jabez Luce Jonathan Luce Jr and Edmund Cottle and took the oath prescribed by law qualifying them to the office of Assessors

ALPHONSO D LUCE — *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N. Hillman one of the Constables of the town of Tisbury, the Select men and town Clerk met at the Clerks office on the 12 day of Sept. 1846 and drew from the Jurors Box of Sd town five men to serve as petit Jurors at the court of Common Pleas holden at Edgartown on Monday Sept. 28, 1846 in The County. Dukes County

Viz Jabez Luce
Charles Luce
Theadore Luce
Chas West
Jonathan Athearn

ALPHONSO D. LUCE *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury held at the Baptist Meeting house on monday Novr. 9 – 1846 at eleven O'Clock in the forenoon Voted & chose Matthew P Spear Moderator

Voted to fix a compensation for collecting taxes.

Voted that the compensation be 3 per centum

Voted to proceed to thoise of collector by hand vote

Voted that Charles Smith be collector, (accepted)

Voted that James L Merry be surveyer of highways for the 4″ District.

Voted that William Daggett 3d be surveyer of highways for the 5″ District (sworn)

Voted to adjourn Sine Die

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

Records of a meeting of the legal Voters of the town of Tisbury held at the Baptist meeting house in West Tisbury on monday The ninth day

of November at one Oclock P. M. for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governer, Lieutenant Gov. Senators & Representative and one Representative to the Congress of the U. S. for the tenth District

Whole no. of Ballots given in for governer were one hundred and twelve 112

For Geo N Briggs	fifty three	53
" Isaac Davis	thirty three	33
" Samuel E Sewell	twenty six	26
		112

Whole number of ballots given for Lieu. Govr one hundred and twelve 112

For John Reed	fifty three	53
" Geo Hood	thirty three	33
" John N Bruster	twenty six	26
		112

Whole number of ballots Given in for Senator were one hundred and five

For Leavitt Thaxter	thirty eight	38
" William Bunker	thirty two	32
" Charles Cottle	twenty five	25
" William Mayhew	nine	9
" Daniel Fellows	one	1
		105

Whole number of ballots given in for Representative on firs balloting one hundred and ten

For Jonathan Luce Jr	fifty five	55
" Thomas D Blake	twenty two	22
" Alphonso D Luce	nineteen	19
" Charles West	thirteen	13
scatering	one	1
	no choise	110

fifty six being necessary for a choice

Second Balloting whole number one hundred & nine

For Jonathan Luce Jr	fifty six	56
" Thomas D Blake	twenty three	23
" Alphonso D Luce	twenty six	26
" Charles West	four	4
		109

Whole number of ballots given in for Representative to Congress were one hundred and two 102

For Joseph Grinnell	fifty four	54
" Timothy G Coffin	twenty four	24
" James Barneby	twenty three	23
scatering	one	1
		102

After ceiling up the returns voted to adjourn

Attest ALPHONSO D LUCE *Town Clerk*

The Select men of the Town of Tisbury at a meeting held this Twenty eighth day of January 1847 for that purpose hereby appointed William A Mayhew Esq. Town Clerk pro tem untill another shall be chosen and qualified in his stead

Tisbury 28th January 1847

EDMUND COTTLE } *Selectmen of*
JABEZ LUCE } *Tisbury.*

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Attest W^M A MAYHEW
Town Clerk pro tem

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the Hall of the Holmes Hole South district School House on the 22^d of March 1847 for the purpose of electing Town Officers and the transacting of other necessary business Charles Smith was chosen Moderator of S^d Meeting then Voted & chose Parmenas Parsons for Town Clerk for the year ensuing and other officers as follows Viz

for SelectMen

Jonathan Luce Jr	sworn
Edmund Cottle	sworn
Prince D Athearn	sworn

Voted That the Select men act as Assessors and Overseerers of the poor

Voted To choose the Standing School Committee on Seperate Ballott

for Standing school Committee

Leroy M Yale
Thomas D Blake
William A Mayhew

Voted To adjourn to 1/2 past One O Clock P M. then to assemble at the same place 1/2 past one O Clock Met according to adjournment the

meeting being called to order by the Moderator proceeded to Ballot for Town Treasurer

for Town Treasurer

Henry Bradley sworn to both offices

Voted That the Town Treasurer act as Collector of Taxes.

Voted That the sum of three pr Ct, to be allowed as a compensation for servises rendered for the collecting of Taxes & acting as Town Treasurer

Voted That there be allowed a discount for the promp payment of Taxes of Six pr Ct for all Taxes paid within thirty days four pr Ct for all paid within Sixty days and two pr ct for all paid within One hundred & twenty days

Voted To choose a Committee of three persons for a Fish Committee to regulate the Herring fishing in and about Chappaquansett Pond

Fish committee

Thomas Bradley sworn
Nathan Smith sworn
Franklin Smith sworn
were accordingly chosen

Voted & chose for Constable.

Sylvenus Luce sworn

Then proceeded to Ballot for County Treasurer but objection having arisen in consequence of no Article being found in the warrant calling for such action It was

Voted to defer It till another Meeting

Voted for & chose for Prudential School Committee

William H. Davis
Bartlett Pease Jr
James Look

for Surveyor of Highways

Thomas Barrows
Franklin Luce
Timothy Lovell sworn
Shubael Weekes Jr
Sanford Vincent

for Fence Viewers.

Harrif Mayhew
Charles Smith sworn
Alfred Norton sworn

for Surveyor of Lumber

William A Robinson sworn
for Surveyor of Wood & Bark
Joseph R Luce sworn
Bartlett Allen sworn
for Field Drivers
Nathan Smith
Huvvy Luce
William Gray
Benjamin Cleavland sworn
Timothy Daggett
Frederick Smith
William S Vincent
for Pound Keepers
Wm Norton
Prince Athearn
for Dog Committee
Charles Cottle
Peter Norton
Nathan Smith
Tristam Luce

Voted To chose a committee of three persons to settle with the Select Men & Town Treasurer the following persons were accordingly chosen

Commeettee on Settlement
Henry P Worth
Thomas Barrows
George Dunham

Voted That the last mentioned committee report their doings at the adjourned meeting and also

Voted that they Examine the finances of the Town and report at the adjourned Meeting

Voted (In relation to the County road) That the Select Men Advertise for Sale to the lowest Bidder the making of the Towns proportion of the County road & that such Sale take place at the adjournd Meeting —

Voted That the raising of Money for Towns Expences for the ensuing year be omitted untill the adjourned Meeting —

In relation to Mr John Manter now in the Insane Hospital It was

Voted That for the present he remain there and that the Select Men be and are instructed to remove the said Mr Manter from the Insane Hospital at any time when the Physicians may think proper.

In relation to Mrs Matilda Slocum & Children It was

Voted That the Select Men dispose of the business in the best manner that they are able

It appears by the certificate of Shubal Luce Clerk of the Northeast school district that Edward Luce was chosen prudential Committee for s^d^ district for the current year (chosen March 13th 1847 PARMENAS PARSONS

Voted That the time be extended to the first day of May for the Surveyors to work out their Highway tax

Voted To adjourn to the first Monday of april next at 2 O Clock P. M. then to assemble at the same place for the accomplishment of such business that May legally come before the Meeting

Attest PARMENAS PARSONS *Town Clerk*

At a Legale Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden on the fifth day of April A D. 1847 at one O. Clock in the afternoon in the Hall of the District School House in Holmes Hole. for the purpose of bringing in their Votes for County Treasurer & county Commissioners Charles Smith was chosen Moderator of S^d^ Meeting and the following persons were Voted for as follows viz

for county Treasurer

William A Mayhew	fifty four	54

Voted That the Votes for County commissioners be all on one Ballott — The whole number of Ballots cast was sixty five

Benjamin Davis	had fifty five Votes	55
Job Goreham	thirty one	31
Herman Vincent	twenty Eight	28
Allen Tillton	thirty Eight	38
W^m^ A Mayhew	thirty five	35
Harrison P Mayhew	Eleven	11

The whole number of Ballots for special county commissioners was twenty one

Benjamin Luce	had	twenty two Votes	22
I I Barrows	"	twenty two "	22
Franklin Daggett	"	One "	1
Charles Smith	"	One "	1
Levett Thaxter	"	One "	1

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest PARMENAS PARSONS *Town Clerk*

Doing of the anuall Town Meeting continued

Met at the time and place agreeable to adjournment the meeting being called to order by the Moderator

Voted,, To sell to the lowest Bidder the making of the Towns propotion of the County road It was accordingly sold in open Town Meeting by the Moderator to Prince D Athearn for the sum of Sixty five (65) cents pr rod

Voted that when this meeting adjourn It adjourned to the first Monday in May also

Voted That the Committee on Settlements report their doings the committee on Settlements not deeming the time sufficient for them to prepare their report. It was moved & seconded that the last Vote be reconsidered then

Voted that the committee Present their report when they are ready

Voted That the sum of Twelve hundred $1200 dollars be raised for the support of the Towns poor & Incidental Charges for the ensuing year

Voted That the sum of nine Hundred dollars ($900) be raised for the support of Public Schools for the Ensuing year

Voted That the sum of Two hundred dollars ($200) be raised for the repairs of Highways & Bridges for the ensuing year

Voted That the Town Treasurer be and is Instructed to forclose the Mortgage on the estate of Chas G. Athearn

Voted & Chos for Constable for the Ensuing year James D Peakes sworn & Samuell Thompson

Voted That the Taxes now due the Town by Mr James Rodgers be remitted

Voted that the demands of Charles Cottle & M. P. Spear for servises rendered in visiting the Public schools be allowed

Voted That If the Select Men think It necessary they be allowed to hire sufficient sums of money (on the credit of the Town) as will serve to pay Mr John Manters bill for Board at the Insane Hospital

Voted That the Meeting adjourn Sine die

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a Legal Notice from Sylvenas Luce Constable of the Town of Tisbury and by his producing a Vernire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Barnstable to draw one suitable man of good Moral character to serve at s^d^ Court as Traverse Jury s^d^ Court

to be holden at Barnstable within and for s^{d} County of Barnstable and Dukes County on the fourth day of May 1847.

The Select men and Town Clerk being assembled at the Clerks office on the 22^{d} day of April 1847 drew from the Jury Box the name of Charles G Athearn to serve at s^{d} court as Traverse Jury

Attest PARMENAS PARSONS *Town Clerk*

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden in the district School House in the Village of Holmes Hole on the Eleventh day of May 1847, To see if the Town will accept the list of Names of persons to be placed in the Jury Box or make such Alterations as they May think proper Timothy Luce Jr was chosen Moderator After making some additon of names to the sd list It

Voted, That It be accepted — the following are the names of persons placed in the Jury Box

1 William C. Luce.
2 Hiram Chace
3 Edward Luce
4 Frederick Smith
5 Alfred Norton
6 Chas Cottle
7 Edmund Cottle
8 Joseph Luce
9 David Butler
10 Shubael Weekes Jr
11 Ja^{s} L. Merry
12 Walter Hillman
13 William Roggers
14 Leander Luce
15 Prince D Athearn
16 Wm Chace
17 Epraim S Allen
18 Franklin Grey
19 Hariph Mayhew
20 Thos Barrows
21 Ja^{s} L Barrows
22 Thos Bradley
23 Calvin Tilton
24 Franklin D Cottle
25 Stephen Skiff
26 Tim^{o} Luce
27 Chas Bradley
28 Chas G Smith
29 David Smith
30 Mason Pierce
31 John Holmes
32 Peter Norton Jr
33 Wm M. Norton
34 Thos Harding
35 Chas Allen
36 O P. Branscomb
37 John Robinson
38 Chas N Look
39 Shubael D Smith
40 Obed Nickerson
41 John Manter
42 Chas M Luce
43 Cyrus Look
44 Wm Athearn
45 Robert Manter
46 Stephen Luce Jr

47 Thos. Waldon
48 John J Barrows
49 Chas. Smith
50 Joseph R. Luce
51 Parmenas Parsons
52 Holmes D. Luce
53 Timo B. Lovell
54 Isaac L. Vincent
55 Nathan Mayhew 2d
56 Wm Daggett 3d

Attest Parmenas Parsons,
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a Legal Notice from Sylvenas Luce Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a Vernire from the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, The Select Men and town Clerk being assembled at the town Clerks Office on the Eleventh day of May 1847, drew from the Jury Box the names of six good and Lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors and four men of like qualification to serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes County on the last Monday of May 1847, — the following are the names of the persons that were Legally drawn

For Grand Jurors	Petit Jurors
1 Thomas Barrows	1 Walter Hillman
2 Stephen Luce Jr	2 John Holmes
3 Edmund Cottle	3 Orrok P. Branscomb
4 Wm Daggett 3d	4 Franklin Grey
5 Leander Luce	
6 Wm M Norton	

Attest Parmenas Parsons *Town Clerk*

The number of Children in the North East School districts from four to Sixteen years of age June 24″ 1847 as pr return of Edward Luce Com of sd District is Thirty two 32

The Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury at a meeting this day held for that purpose hereby appoint Henry Bradley Town Clerk in the place of Parmenus Parsons resigned

Tisbury August 20 1847

Jonathan Luce Jr
Edmund Cottle
Prince D Athearn
Selectmen of Tisbury

Dukes County s, s, Augt 20,, 1847

Then appeared the above named Henry Bradley and made oath to the faithfull performance of the duty asigned him by the above appointment Before Me

BARTLETT ALLEN *Jus. of the Peace*

Attest a true Copy

HENRY BRADLEY *T Clerk*

Pursuent to a Legal Notice from Silvanus Luce Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas — , The Select men & Town Clerk assembled, at the store of Thos Bradley & sons in said Town to draw from the Jurors Box Four good and Lawfull men to serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas of this commonwealth within and for the County of Dukes County to be holden at Edgartown on the Last Monday of Sept 1847 The following persons were legally drawn Sept 18,, 1847

Harrif Mayhew
Joseph Luce
Holmes D Luce } Jury
Warren Waldon

Attest HENRY BRADLEY

Town Clerk

Record of a meeting of the Legal voters of the Town of Tisbury held at the Holmes Hole South School House on Monday the Eight day of November 1847 at one O Clock P. M. for the purpose of giving in their Votes for Gevernor Lieutenant Governor Senetor & Representative for the general Court.

Whole number of Ballots given for Governor was one hundred & Twenty Six

For George N Briggs	Fifty Eight	58
" Caleb Cushing	Fifty	50
" Samuel E Sewell	Eighteen	18
		126

Whole number of Ballots given for Lieu. Governor was One Hundred & Twenty Six

For John Reed	Fifty Eight	58
" Henry W Cushing	Fifty	50
" John M Brewster	Eighteen	18
		126

Whole number of Ballots given for Senetor for general court was One hundred & Twenty

For Charles Cottle	Seventeen	17
" Thos,, Bradley	Fifty five	55
" Dr John Pierce	Forty five	45
" Daniel Fisher	Three	3
		120

Whole number of Ballots given in for Representative to general Court was One hundred & nineteen on the first Trial

For Thos. D Blake	Fifteen	15
" Wm Dunham	Forty nine	49
" Jonathan Luce Jr	Forty six	46
" Stephen Skiff	One	1
" Alphonso D Luce	Six	6
" Leander West	Two	2
		119

nessary for Choise 60
accordingly was no Choise

Whole number of Ballots for Representative To general Court was One hundred & Twenty Four on the second Trial

For Thos. D Blake	Twelve	12
" Wm Dunham	Sixty Two	62
" Jonathan Luce Jr	Forty Four	44
" Stephen Skiff	one	1
" O P Branscomb	three	3
" Alphonso D Luce	one	1
" Richard Luce Jr	One	1
		124

Nessary for Choise 63
accordingly was no Choise

Whole number of Ballots for Representative to general Court was One hundred and Six on the third Trial

For Wm Dunham	fifty Two	52
" Jonathan Luce Jr	thirty seven	37
" Thos D Blake	sixteen	16
" Stephen Skiff	one	1
		106

nessary for a choise 54
accordingly no Choise

Voted to adjourn untill 9th of November 1847 at one O Clock P. M. at the same place for Choosing a Representative

Attest HENRY BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Record of an adjourned meeting of the legal Voters of the Town of Tisbury held at the Holmes Hole South School District house on Tuesday the ninth day of November 1847 for the purpose of giving in their Votes for a Representative to the general Court

Whole number of Ballots given for Representative to general Court on the first Trial

For Wm Dunham	Sixty five	65
" Jonathan Luce Jr	Fifty Eight	58
" Thos D Blake	Eleven	11
		134

Necessary for a Choise 69
accordingly no Choise

Whole number of Ballots given for Representative to general Court on the second Trial

For Wm Dunham	Sixty three	63
" Jonathan Luce Jr	Fifty five	55
" Thos D Blake	Fourteen	14
		132

Necessary for a Choise 67 accordingly no Choise

Voted to adjourn Sini di

Attest HENRY BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

At the Annual Town Meeting holden at the South Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on the twentyeth day of March A D 1848 at ten O Clock in the forenoon Thomas Barrows was chosen Moderator then Voted & chose Timothy B. Lovell for Town (sworn) Clerk for the year ensuing and other officers as follows Viz

for Select Men

Prince D. Athearn	sworn
Edmond Cottle	sworn
Jonathan Luce Jr	sworn

for Standing School Committee

William A Mayhew
Davis Cottle
Matthew P Butler

for Town Treasurer sworn
Henry Bradley
for County Treasurer
John D Roach had sixty one votes
James L Barrows one
for Prudential School Committee
for 4th District Leander Luce
1st James Look
2d Lenard Luce
South East William Athearn
for Surveyors of Highways
William S. Vincent sworn
Timothy B. Lovell
Shubael Weeks Jr sworn
James D. Peaks sworn
Franklin Luce sworn
for Fence Viewers
James Look
Hariph Mayhew sworn
James Cottle
Lenard Luce sworn
for Surveyor of Lumber
John W Howland sworn
William A Robinson sworn
Bartlett Allen sworn
Nathan Smith
Joseph R. Luce
for Surveyors of Wood and Bark
Mathew P. Butler
John D Roach sworn
for Field Drivers
Moses Y Cromwell
Nathan Smith
Tristram Luce sworn
Isaac Daggett
Frederick Smith
Samuel Allen sworn
for Pound Keepers
Prince D Athearn
Thomas N Hillman

for Health Committee
Laroy M. Yale
Henry P. Worth
William H. Luce
for Sealers of Weights and Measures sworn
Henry Bradley sworn also Voted for him to procure a new Standard
Voted and Chose for Constable
James D. Peaks sworn
Thomas N. Hillman
Alphonso D. Luce
for Fish Committee
Thomas Bradley
Nathan Smith
Frederick Smith

Voted that the proseeds of the funds which have and Shall accrue from the Chappaquansett Hering Fishery shall be placed in the hands of the Towns committee for said Fishery

Voted to raise seven hundred dollars for the support of Publick Schools $700

Voted to raise in addition to the above sum two hundred dollars $200

Voted to raise twelve hundred dollars for the support of the Poor and other incidental charges for the ensuing year

Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to settle with the delinquent collectors and audit the accounts

Voted that the Tax of Samuel Butler be left in the hands of Selectmen until instructed

Voted to raise two hundred dollars for the support of High Ways $200

Voted for Henry Bradley collector of Taxes for the insuing year

Voted to discount on Taxes for prompt payment as last year

Voted that Henry Bradley have three per cent for collecting Taxes the ensuing year

Voted that the Selectmen ar to petition to Judge of Probate to appoint a guardian for Nancy Luce

Voted that the report of the School committee be accepted

Voted that the Town Treasurer have Eight dollars for his servisis for foreclosing Mortgage

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest Timothy B. Lovell *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss march 27th 1848 Then personally appeard Isaac Daggett Field driver for the Town of Tisbury the insuing year and made Oath before the subscriber, that he would faithfuly perforn all the duties which by law is incumbent to his said Office

STEPHEN SKIFF *Justice of the Peace*
Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss,, March 27th 1848 Then personaly appeard before the subscriber Joseph R. Luce Surveyor of lumber for the Town of Tisbury for the insuing year And made Oath that he would faithfuly and impartially perforn all the duties incumbent to his Said Office.

STEPHEN SKIFF *Justice of the Peace*
Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss,, March 23d 1848 personaly appeared before me the Subscriber Thomas N. Hillman Constable for the Town of Tisbury for the insuing year and made Oath that he would faithfully perforn all the duties requred by law incumbent to his said office

STEPHEN SKIFF *Justice of the Peace*
April 20th 1848
Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N Hillman Constable from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the county of Barnstable to seve at sd court as Traverse Jury sd court to be holden at Barnstable within and for sd County of Barnstable and Dukes County on the 9th day of may 1848

The Selectmen and Town Clerk assembled at the Clerks office on the 20th day of Aprill 1848 drew from the Jury Box Cyrus Look to serve at sd Court as traverse Jury

Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a Legal notice from Thomas N Hillman constable of Tisbury and by his producing a Venira from the clerk of the court of common Pleas The Select men and Town Clerk being assembled at the Town Clerks office on the 13th day of May 1848 drew from the Jury Box the names of six good Lawful men to serve as grand Jurrors and five men of like qualifications to serve as Petit Jurors at the court of common Pleas

to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes county on the last Monday of May 1848 The following are the names of the persons that were legaly drawn

For Grand Jurors	Petit Jurrors
Shubael Weeks Jr	Nathan Mayhew 2d
Charles N Look	Isac L Vincent
Stephen Skiff	Timothy Luce
Ephraim S Allen	Charles Cottle
William C Luce	Charles Bradley
Charles G Smith	

TIMO B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a legal notice from Thomas N Hillman Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the court of common Pleas The Select men and Town Clerk assembled at the Clerks office to draw from the Jurors Box five good and Lawful men serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas of this Commonwealth within and for Said County of Dukes to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday of September 1848 The following persons were legally drawn

September 15th 1848
John J. Barrows
James L Merry
John Manter
David Butler
John Robinson
Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the freeholder and other inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote for electors of President and vice President of the United States holden at the Baptist meeting House in the west Parrish on Tuesday the 7th day of November 1848 at 1 O clock P. M. sd inhabitants did then and there give in their votes as follows

For Electors at large

Levi Lincoln of Worcester	Ninety nine
Edmund Dwight of Boston	Ninety nine
Samuel Hoar, of Concord	Forty two
William Jackson of Newton	Forty two

Charles G Green of Boston Thirty eight
Henry H. Child of Pitsfield Thirty eight
For District
No 1 Albert Fearing of Boston ninety nine
Joseph Willard of Boston forty two
James Cheever of Boston thirty eight
2 David Pingree of Salem, ninety nine
John B. Alley of Lynn, forty two
Eben H. Stacy of Gloucester, thirty eight
Daniel Adams of Newbery, ninety nine
3 John G. Whittier of Amesbery, forty two
Edward Lawrence of Newberyport thirty eight
4 Isaac Livermore of Cambridge ninety nine
Nathan Brooks of Concord, forty two
Timothy Fletcher of Charlestown thirty eight
5 Benjamin F. Thomas, of Worcester ninety nine
Alexander De Witt, of Worcester forty two
J. S. C. Knowlton, of Worcester thirty eight
6 Myron Lawrence of Belchertown ninety nine
James Fowler of West field forty two
Joseph Smith of Hatfield thirty eight
7 Asa Howland of conway ninety nine
Thomas Robinson of Adams forty two
Samuel Gates of West Stockbridge thirty eight
8 Henry A. S. Dearborn of Roxbury ninety nine
Benjamin B. French of Braintree forty two
William Ellis of Dedham thirty eight
9 William Baylies of West Bridgewater ninety nine
Philo Leach of Bridgewater forty two
Foster Hoopeer of Fall River thirty eight
10 William R. Easton of Nantucket ninety nine
Isaac C. Taber of New Bedford forty two
James D. Thompson of New Bedford thirty eight
Attest Timothy B. Lovell *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs held at the old Baptist Meeting House in west Tisbury on Monday the 13 day of Nov 1848 at nine Oclock A. M. Jonathan Luce Jr was chosen moderator

Voted that the Town except the five hundred dollars bequethed in the last will and Testament of Ichabod Norton Esqr late of Edgartown deceased

Voted that the Selectmen receive the sum of five hundred dollars gave and bequeathed to the Town of Tisbury in the last will and Testament of Ichabod Norton Esqr late of Edgartown deceased now in the hands of John P. Norton Esqr executor to said will

Voted that the Selectmen appropriate the same according to said will

At a legal meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections for Govornor Leutenant Govornor and Senator and Representative in General Court holden at the Baptist Meeting in the west Parish on Monday thirteenth day of Nov 1848 at eleven O clock A M it being the second Monday of said Month S^d inhabitants did then and there bring in their votes as follows

For Govornor George N. Briggs seventy nine
Stephen C. Phillips thirty three
Caleb Cushing twenty eight

For Lieut Governor John Reed seventy nine
John Mills thirty three
Henry W. Cushman twenty eight

For Senator William R Easton seventy nine
Charles B. Macy thirty three
Eben W. Allen twenty six

For Representative to Congress District Nº 10
Joseph Grinnell seventy three
Simpson Hart twenty seven
C. B. H Fessenden twenty two
Abraham H. Howland sixteen

For Representative to General Court
William A. Mayhew seventy six
Alfred Norton forty three
Asa Johnson twenty

Attest Timothy B. Lovell *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury held in Hall of the Holmes Hole South Destrict school House on the 26th March 1849 for the purpose of electing Town officers and the transacting of other necessary business Johnathan Luce Jr was chosen Moderator of

said Meeting and chose Charles Bradley (sworn) Town Clerk for the year ensuing and other officers as follows Viz

Voted for Select Men

George Dunham	Sworn
Edmund Cottle	Sworn
James Look	Sworn

Voted to adjourn to one O Clock P. M. then to assemble at the same place

One O Clock met according to adjournment the meeting being called to order by the moderator proceeded to ballet for Town Treasurer

Voted for Town Treasurer

Henry Bradley	sworn

Voted for Standing School Committee

Nathan Mayhew
Wm A Mayhew
Davis Cottle

Voted to excuse Charles Cottle from Serving as school Committee

Voted for County Treasurer

John D Rotch had Fifty Five	55
William Daggett had Two	2
James W Hatch had Two	2
Frederic Bayles had one	1
	60

Voted for Fish Committee

Thomas Bradley
Nathan Smith
Benjamin F Smith

Voted for Surveyers of High Ways

Hiram Derter	Sworn
Asa Johnson	sworn
Thomas L Norton	sworn
Edward Luce	sworn
Leonard Luce	sworn

Voted for Constables

Thomas N Hillman	Sworn
Stephen Skiff	sworn
James D Peakes	sworn
Thomas Cathcart	sworn

Voted for Pound Keepers

Thomas N Hillman	sworn
Barnerd Luce	
Samuel Thompson	sworn

Voted for Fence vewers

Harriff Mayhew	
Prince D Athearn	sworn
Thomas N Hillman	sworn
Stephen Skiff	sworn

Voted for Surveyers of Lumber

John W Howland	sworn
Wm A Robinson	sworn
Joseph R Luce	sworn
John Lambert	

Voted for Surveyers of Wood & Bark

Wm C Luce	sworn
Stephen Skiff	sworn
Davis Look	sworn

Voted for Field Drivers

Moses T Cromwell	Sworn
Thomas N Hillman	
Tristram Luce	Sworn
George Dunham	Sworn
Benjamin F Smith	Sworn
Benjamin Cleveland	Sworn
John A Swain	Sworn
Samuel S Allen	
Dennis Dexter	
Thomas Waldron	
Wm S Vincent	

Voted for Hog Reaves

John A Luce	
Josiah Vincent	
William Harding Jr	
Benjamin Cromwell	
Ebenezer Norton	Sworn
Edward Dillingham	
Holmes D Luce	Sworn

Voted for Health Committee
Thomas Bradley
Thomas H Smith
John Holmes
Stephen Skiff
William Daggett

Voted That all the meetings for the year 1850 be in the east parrish as far as this meeting is authorized to vote

Voted That the report of the Select Men on the finances of the town be accepted

Voted All the real estate in the town of Tisbury be taxed

Voted all the personal property be taxed

Voted To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars for the Support of Public Schools

Voted That when this Meeting adgourns to adgourn to next Saturday at one O Clock P. M. then to assemble at the same place

Voted That the Meadow and Beach Tax standing against Nancy Luce be paid by the Town

Voted to adgourn

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Doings of the annual Town Meeting Continued Met at the time and place agreeable to adgournment the Meeting being called to order by the Moderator

Voted That the vote for raising Twelve Hundred Dollars for the Support of Public Schools be reconsidered

Voted That one Thousand Dollars $1000 be raised for the support of Public Schools for the year ensuing

Voted To raise one thousand Eight Hundred Dollars $1800. for the Support of the Poor and incidential charges

Voted To raise one Hundred and Fifty Dollars $154 for the repairs of High Ways

Voted That the Treasurer be Collector of Taxes for ensuing year.

Voted That the Treasurer and Collector have three per cent

Voted That there Should be no discount on Taxes for prompt payment the ensuing year

Voted That the vote that there shall be no discount on Taxes for prompt payment be reconsiderd

Voted That the Select Men rent the farm of Charles G Athearn now in the possession of the Town the ensuing year

Voted That there be allowed a discount for the prompt payment of taxes of Six per cent for all Taxes paid within thirty days four per cent for all paid within Sixty days Two per cent for all paid within Six months

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Persuant to a legal notice from Thos N Hillman constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venire from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Barnstable to draw one suitable man of good moral character to serve at sd court as traverse Juror sd court to be held at Barnstable within and for sd county of Barnstable and Dukes county on the 8th day of may 1849

The Selectmen and Town Clerk being present at said Meeting held april 25 1849 at Thos Bradley & sons store drew from the Jurors box the name of Franklin D Cottle to serve at sd court as Traverse Juror

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury for the purpose Henry Bradley was appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures for said Town for the present year

given under our hands

this Twenty fifth day of April year 1844

GEORGE DUNHAM } *Selectmen*
EDMUND COTTLE } *of Tisbury*

Dukes County ss April 25th 1849 Then the within named Henry Bradley personally appeared and made oath that he would faithfully and Justly perform the duties as sealer of Weights and Measures for ensuing year.

STEPHEN SKIFF *Justice of the Peace*

True Coppy Attest

CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal Notice from Thos N Hillman constable of Tisbury and by his poducing a venire from the Clerk of the court of Common pleas the Selectmen and Town Clerk being assembled at the store of Thos Bradley & sons in Holmes Hole on the Fourteenth day of May

1849 drew from the Jurror Box the names of Six good and lawful men to serve as Grand Jurror and Five Men of like qualifications to serve as Petit Jurrors at the court of common pleas to be held at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes County on the last Tuesday of May 1849, the following are the names of the persons that were legally drawn, Viz

For Grand Jurror	For Petit Juror
1 O. P. Branscomb	1 William Athearn
2 Obed Nickerson	2 Charles Smith
3 Edmund Cottle	3 David Smith
4 Charles M Luce	4 Calvin Tilton
5 Wm Daggett 3d	5 Joseph R Luce
6 Thomas Barrows	

Tisbury June 11 1849 George Dunham Edmund Cottle James Look personally appeared before me and was Sworn as assessors of Tax for 1849 as the law Directs

CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Persuant to a legal Notice from Thos N Hillman Constable of Tisbury and by his poducing a venire from the Clerk of the court of Common please. The Select Men and Town Clerk being assembled at the Store of Thos Bradley & sons in Holmes Hole on the Eighth day of September 1849 drew from the Juror Box the names of Four good and lawful men to serve as Traverse Jurors at the court of Common please to be held at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes County on last Tuesday of September 1849 the following are the names of the persons that were legally drawn viz

1 Franklin Grey
2 John Holmes
3 Timothy B Lovell
4 Prince D Athearn

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the Hall of the Holmes Hole South dristrict School House on the 12th day of Novenber 1849 for the purpose of electing Town officers and the transacting of other nescesary business, George Dunham was chosen Moderator of said Meeting and others as follows viz

Voted For Serveyers of Highways

Seth Luce	sworn
Shubeal Weeks Jr	sworn

Voted That the select Men be directed to advertise for proposells to construct the county road in Tisbury in such parts as they deem proper

Voted That the Meeting adjourn Sin Die

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs held at the Holmes Hole South district School House on Monday the 12th day of November 1849 at 10 O clock A M for the purpose of giving in their votes for Governor Lieut Governor, Senator and Representative Gave in their votes as follows

The whole number of Ballots was one Hundred & Two

For Govenor	George N Briggs	Sixty one	61
	Stephen C Phillips	Thirty seven	37
	George T Boutwell	Four	4
			102

The whole number of Ballots was one Hundred & Two

For Lieut Govenor	John Reed	Sixty one	61
	John Mills	Thirty seven	37
	Henry W Cushman	Four	4
			102

The Whole Number of Ballots was ninety Five

For Senator	William C Starbuck	Sixty one	61
	Charles Smith	Thirty	30
	Mathew P Butler	Three	3
	George Dunham	one	1
			95

The whole number of Ballots was one Hundred & Eleven

First Trial For Representative	Jonathan Luce Jr	Forty one	41
	Alfred Norton	Thirty Four	34
	Thomas Bradley	Twenty One	21
	Thomas Barrows	Ten	10
	Matthew P Butler	Two	2
	John Luce	One	1
	John Holmes	one	1
	Stephen Dunham	one	1
			111

Nesessary for Choice Fifty six 56
accordingly no choice

The Whole number of Ballots was one Hundred & Ten

Second Trial for Representative	Jonathan Luce Jr	Forty Six	46
	Alfred Norton	Thirty Eight	38
	Thomas Bradley	Twenty	20
	Thomas Barrows	Five	5
	Matthew P Butler	one	1
			110

nessasary for Choice 56
accordingly no Choise
Voted to adjourn without day
Attest Charles Bradley *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs held at the Holmes Hole South district School House on Monday the 26th day November 1849 it being the fourth Monday of said Month at one O Clock P M for the purpose of giving in their votes for one Representative to Represent the Town of Tisbury in the next General Court gave in their Votes as follows

for Representative	Jonathan Luce Jr	Forty Eight	48
	Alfred Norton	Fourteen	14
	Charles Bradley	one	1
	E Allen Smith	one	1
			64

Jonathan Luce Jr had Forty Eight and was Chosen
Attest Charles Bradley *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in hall of the Holmes Hole South School Drestrict House on 25th day of March 1850 for the purpose of electing Town officers and Transacting other business that might legally come before the said meeting Charles Smith was chosen Moderator of Said Meeting and chose Charles Bradley (sworn) for year ensuing and others officers as follows, viz

for Select Men	George Dunham	sworn
	Seth Luce	sworn
	William A Mayhew	sworn

Voted, That the report of the Select men be read
Voted That the report of the Select men be accepted
for Treasurer
Henry Bradley Sworn

Voted, To adjourn to $^1/_2$ Past one O clock P. M. At ½ Past one O Clock Met agreeable to adjournment the meeting called to order by the Moderator then proceeded to electing officer as followes

Viz for Standing School Committee	Wm A Mayhew		
	Matthew P Butler		
	Nathaniel Ruggles		
Votes for County Treasurer	Frederic Baylies	forty Six	46
	John D Rotch	one	1
	George Dunham	one	1
			48

Voted That the fish committee be chosen by Ballot

for Fish Committee	Thos Bradley	Nathan Smith sworn	For Surveyors of Highways
	Nathan Smith	Timothy B Lovell	
	Benjamin F Smith	Bartlett Pease Jr	
		Theodore Luce sworn	
		Benjm F. Smith sworn	

for Constables	Richard Luce	sworn
	Stephen Skiff	sworn
	Thos N Hillman	sworn
for Pound Keepers	Hilliard Norton	sworn
	Samuel Thompson	sworn
for Fence Viewers	Thos Cathcart	
	Stephen Skiff	Sworn
	Franklin Luce	Sworn
	Samuel Look	Sworn
for Surveyors of Lumber	Joseph R Luce	sworn
	John W Howland	
	James D Peakes	
for Surveyor of wood	Nathan Smith	sworn
for Field Drivers	Thos N Hillman	
	Nathan Smith	Sworn
	Moses T. Cromwell	
	Benjm F Smith	Sworn
	Shubeal Weeks Jr	sworn
	Benjm Cleveland	sworn
	Thos L Norton	sworn
	Asa Johnson	

Voted that the health committee consist of three

Voted That the health committee be chosen by Ballot

for Health Thos Bradley
Committee Stephen Skiff
Presbury Norton

Voted to adjourn to Monday next at 1/2 Past Nine O Clock A. M.

Met agreeabl to adjournment at 1/2 Past Nine O Clock A M being the first day of April 1854 and proceeded to finish the remaining business

Voted for Surveyors Edmund Cottle sworn
of Highways Thos L Norton sworn

Voted that Edmund Cottle be the Prudential Committee for the Lumberts Cove School District

Voted that the Select Men determine the course to be pursued in regard to the Town Pound in west Tisbury and proceeded accordingly

Voted that Twelve hundred dollars ($1200) be raised of the support of Public School

Voted that sixteen hundred dollars $1600 be raised for the support of the Poor and incidential charges

Voted that Two hundred dollars $200 be raised for the repairs of High Ways

Voted that the High Ways be repaired in the usual Manner

Voted that the Town will not accept the Tax bills formily in the hand of Alphonzo D Luce now in the hands of the select men and that the select men return the said Tax bills to the Wife of Alphonzo D Luce or his agent

Voted that this meeting adjourn untill 2 O Clock P M

at 2 O Clock P M Met agreeable to adjournment

Voted that the distrabution of the school Money be left discretionary with the school committee

Voted to suspend the law respecting Grouse or Heathen so far as to Allow the hunting of Said Birds without dogs on the 12th and 13th of November next

Voted that the Collector of Taxes Shall guarantee the full and Just Payment of the Whole amount of money raised by the Town the now current year within one year from the time of his receiveing the Tax bills and to be paid into the Treasurer in Quaterly instalments of one Quater of the whole amount so raised and the select men are to remit only such Taxes as they are Confident that cannot be collected

Voted that the Collection of Taxes be sold to the lowest bidder and it was sold to Hiram Dexter at 9¼ per cent

Voted that Hiram Dexter be the collector of taxes for ensuing year

Voted that all the owners dogs be Taxed one Dollar per year

Voted that the Collection of dog Tax be sold to the Lowest bidder and it was sold to Richard Luce at 50 per cent and he was qualified for the office

Voted that the Meeting for the current year be held in Holmes Hole

Voted that the next Anual meeting be held in West Tisbury

Voted that the road built by Thos. Bradley across his Mill dam be not accepted

Voted the list of Jurors presented by the Select Men be accepted

Voted that this adjourn Sin die

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

The following is a correct list of names for Jurors pessented by the Select men and accepted by the Town

1 John Holmes
2 Dennis Dexter
3 Shubeal D Smith
4 Stephen Skiff
5 Nathan Mayhew
6 Charles Smith
7 Wm C Luce
8 Thomas Bradley
9 John J Barrows
10 Edmund Cottle
11 Davis Cottle
12 Alfred Norton
13 Frederic Smith
14 Water Hillman
15 Thos L Norton
16 Wm N Gray
17 Thos West
18 John Manter
19 James Look
20 Matthew P Butler
21 Charles Bradley
22 Davis Smith
23 Charles G Smith
24 Hiram Nye
25 Benjamin Cromwell
26 Francis Nye
27 Abram Anthony
28 Joseph R Luce
29 Bartlet Pease Jr
30 Eleakim Norton
31 Isaac L Vincent
32 Shubeal Weeks Jr
33 Chas Baxter
34 Timothy B Lovell
35 James Mayhew
36 John D Rotch
37 Wm Athearn
38 Theadore Luce
39 Thos Barrows
40 Henry Bradley
41 Peleg Barrows
42 Wendell Crocker
43 Richard G Luce
43 O. P. Branscomb

44 Timothy Luce	50 Chas Cottle
45 Peter Norton Jr	51 Harriff Mayhew
46 Thos H Smith	52 Chas B Allen
47 Joseph Luce	53 Jared Vincent
48 Davis Look	54 David Nickerson
49 Seth Luce	55 Robert Athearn

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held in the Hall of the Holmes Hole South District school House on the first day of april 1850 being the first Monday of Said Month for the purpose of bringing in their votes for County Commissioners and they were for the following persons Viz

For County Commissioners	Benjamin Davis	Twenty	20
	Wm A Mayhew	Nineteen	19
	Allen Tilton	Twenty	20
	Stephen Skiff	Sixteen	16
	Jeremiah Pease	Fifteen	15
	Herman Vincent	Fifteen	15
For Special County Commissioners	Thos Bradley	Nineteen	19
	Jeremiah Pease	Four	4
	Benjm Davis	Fifteen	15
	Thos Barrows	One	1
	Silvanus L Pease	one	1
	James D Peakes	Three	3
	James W Hatch	Two	2
	Thos Cathcart	One	1

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Persuant to a legal notice from Stephen Skiff constable of Tisbury and by his poducing a venire from the Clerk of the Supreme court of the County of Barnstable to draw one Suitable Man of Good Moral Character to serve at said court as traverse juror. Said court to be holden at Barnstable. within and for Said county of Barnstable and Dukes County on the Seventh day of May 1850 The Select Men and Town Clerk being assembled at the Clerks office on the 22d day of april 1850 Drew from the juror Box the name of Theadore Luce to serve at Said court as Traverse Jurror

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Persuant to a legal notice from Stephen Skiff constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venire from the Clerk of the court of Common Pleas the Select Men and Town Clerk assembled at the Town Clerk office on the 8th day of May drew from the Juror Box the names of Six Good and lawfull men to serve as Grand Jurors and Five men of like qualifications to serve as Petit Jurors at the court of common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes county on the last Monday of May 1850 the following are the names of the Persons that were legally drawn

Grand Jurors	Nathan Mayhew Peter Norton Harrif Mayhew Bartlet Pease Jr Thomas L Norton John D Rotch
Petit Jurors	Robert Athearn Chas B Allen Frederic Smith Water Hillman Dennis Dexter

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 27 1850 George Dunham personally appeared before me and was sworn as assessors of Taxes for 1850 and to take the sensus and valuation for 1850 as the Law directs

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Tisbury June 10 1850 William A Mayhew Seth Luce personally appeared before me and was sworn as assessors of Taxes for 1850 and to take the sensus and valuation for 1850 as the Law directs

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

Tisbury June 11 1850

We have taken the census of the Population of the Town of Tisbury as provided by an act 1840 and find the number to be one Thousand seven hundred eighty one 1781

GEORGE DUNHAM } *Assessors*
WM A MAYHEW } *of Tisbury*

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY
Town Clerk

Ichabod Norton

We the subscribers freeholders and others discover that you are obstructing a free pasage by Placing Stones and Sand and other Cambustbles in the propriertors road which Leads from the head of Holmes Hole to the west chop so called, said road has been open and free for all persons on all ocasions to pass and repass since time immorial and we the subscribers having passed and repassed with teams and otherwise, since being in existance as occasion required, therefore you are requested to remove the present obstructions, and are forbid placing in any manner any Incumberance or obstructions in said road hearafter on any occasion whatever

Tisbury September 2d 1850

Tristram Luce	David Smith
Chas Smith	Jonathan Luce Jr
R. G. Luce	Hiram Chase
Thos Bradley	J J Barrows
Lot Luce	Thos N Hillman
James D Peakes	Timothy Luce
Thos. Barrows	Peter Daggett
Richd Luce	Charles Cottle
Thos H Smith	James Cottle
Joseph Dias	

Tisbury Sept 4 1850

in accordance to the within I have this day read the within to the said Ichabod Norton

Thos N Hillman
Constable of Tisbury

True Copy Attest

Charles Bradley
Town Clerk

Persuant to a legal notice from Stephen Skiff Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venira from the Clerk of the court of common please the select Men and Town Clerk being assembled at the Town Clerks office on the tenth day of September 1850 drew from the Juror Box the names of four Good and lawful men to serve as travers jurors at the Court of common pleas to be held at Edgartown within and for

the County of Dukes County on the last Tuesday of Sept 1850 the following are the names of the persons that were legally Drawn

Viz Francis Nye
Alfred Norton
Eliakim Norton
Benj^{m} Cromwell

Attest CHARLES BRADLEY *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs held in Holmes Hole South District School House on Eleventh day of November 1850 at Eleven OClock A M it being the Second Monday of Said Month for the purpose of giving in their votes for Governor Lieut Governor Senator Representative and Representative to Congress from District No 10, Gave in their votes as follows

For Governor	George N Briggs Sixty Two	62
	George S Boutwell Thirty Six	36
	Stephen C Phillips Seventeen	17
	Francis Coggswell Nine	9
		124
For Lieut Governor	John Reed Sixty Two	62
	Henry W Cushman Thirty Six	36
	Amasa Walker Seventeen	17
		115
For Senator	John H Shaw Fifty	50
	Wm Barney Sixty Two	62
	W^{m} H Barney One	1
	Matthew P Butler One	1
		114
For Representative to Congress	Daniel Fisher Thirty Two	32
	Zeno Scudder Thirty Five	35
	Charles H B Fesenden Thirty Two	32
	Simpson Hart Fifteen	15
		114

Voted that the Town send a Representative the present year

First Trial For Representative	William S Vincent	Fifty Five	55
	Thomas Barrows	Forty Nine	49
	Charles B Allen	Nine	9
	Seth Daggett	Five	5
	Walter Hillman	Three	3
			121
Second Trial For Representative	William S Vincent	Fifty Six	56
	Thomas Barrows	Forty Four	44
	Charles B Allen	Thirteen	13
	Matthew P Butler	One	1
			114
Third Trial For Representative	William S Vincent	Fifty Seven	57
	Thomas Barrows	Forty Two	42
	Charles B Allen	Five	5
	R. K. Jones	One	1
	Thomas B Allen	One	1
	Matthew P Butler	One	1
	Stephen Skiff	One	1
			108

Nesessary for Choise Fifty Five and
William S Vincent had Fifty Seven and was chosen
adjourned without day
Attest Charles Bradley *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury Qualified to vote in elections and Town afairs held in the Hall of the Holmes Hole South School District House on the the Twentyeth day of January 1851 at one OClock in the after noon it being the Third Monday of said month for the Purpose giving their votes to the Selectmen for one representative to congress from District No 10 they were sorted counted and the whol number Ballots were fifty seven and they were for the following persons Viz

Daniel Fisher	Twenty Eight	28
Zeno Scudder	Twenty one	21
Simpson Hart	Four	4
C. B. H. Fessenden	Four	4
		57

adjourned Sin die
Attest Charles Bradley *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury held at the Old baptist meeting house in the western parish of said town on the 14 day of april 1851, for the purpose of choosing town officers, and transacting other business brought legally before the meeting, Thomas Barrows was chosen Moderator and John D Rotch, Town Clerk (sworn) other officers chosen, and business transacted as follows Viz

Voted for Selectmen	Bartlett Mayhew	sworn	sworn also as Assessors
	Edmund Cottle	sworn	
	Thomas Barrows	sworn	

Voted to hear the report of the selectmen which was accordingly read and accepted

Voted to receive votes for a Reg^{r} of Deeds for Dukes County

the whole number of votes were fifty six		(56)
Josiah H Smith had fifty four		(54)
Gilbert Brush had two		(2)

Voted for Town Treasurer Henry Bradley sworn

Voted for School Committee William H Luce
Davis Cottle
Rev. William Stowe

Voted to adjourn one hour at same place

Met according to adjournment the meeting being called to order by the Moderator proceeded as follows viz

Voted to choose the Constables by ballots

Voted for constable Matthew P Butler sworn

Voted, for Surveyors of Highways	Charles Smith	
	Charles M Luce	sworn
	Hariph Mayhew	sworn
	Leonard Luce	

Voted, to choose three fish comittee on one ballot

Voted, for Fish Committee	Nathan Smith	
	Thomas Bradley	
	Benjamin F Smith	
Voted, for Pound Keepers	Samuel Thompson	
	William Norton	accepted
Voted for Field Drivers	Thomas L Norton	sworn
	Zadoc Athearn	sworn
	James Mayhew	
	William A Mayhew	refused
	Charles Smith	excused
	Hiram Dexter	sworn

Voted to excuse Charles Smith from services as field driver,

Voted for Surveyors of Lumber	Joseph R Luce	
	James D Peakes	sworn
	John F Robinson	sworn
	Davis Look	sworn
Voted for Surveyors of Wood	Ichabod Luce	excused
	Timothy Luce	sworn

Voted to excuse Ichabod Luce from services asSurveyor of Wood

Voted for Fence Viewers	Nathan Smith	refused
	Franklin Luce	
	Jared Vincent	sworn
Voted for Health Committee	William H Luce	
	Richard G Luce	
	Henry P Worth	
	Thomas H Smith	
	James D Peakes	sworn

Voted that the collector of taxes, pay to the Treasurer, the whole amount of the town tax, in four, equal, quarterly enstallments, and the County tax, when ordered by the County Commissioners, also that he give sufficient and satisfactory bonds for the performance of the same

Voted, That the collection of taxes be put at auction, which was according done, and struck off to James D Peakes for five (5) pr cent, he being the lowest bidder,

Voted to raise twelve hundred ($1200) for the support of the poor and incidental charges

Voted to raise one thousand ($1000) for the support of public schools

Voted to add two hundred dollars ($200) to the amount appropriated to public schools, making twelve hundred dollars ($1200)

Voted to raise nine hundred dollars ($900) to defray the expense of constructing the road recently laid out by the commissioners, running from Holms Hole to Edgartown

Voted to raise five hundred dollars ($500.) to repair Highways and Bridges,

Voted to reconsider the vote to raise five hundred dollars $500 to repair Highways & Bridges,

Voted to raise two hundred dollars ($200) to repair Highways and Bridges,

Voted that the unpaid Highway tax bills of 1850 be transferred to the present surveyors and collected by them in the same manner as those assessed in 1851,

Voted that the surplus revenue be divided among the several school districts according to the population of each, to be expended for the purpose of education

Voted that the selectmen take measures to build and locate a Town Pound in Holms Hole

Voted that Mr Shubael D Smith be set off from the Holmes Hole North, to the Holms Hole South, school District

Voted that the 11th article of the warrant be laid on the table

Voted James D Peakes sworn collector of taxes at five (5) pr cent on amount collected

Voted that James D Peakes sworn be constable

Votes for	Frederic Baylies	fifteen	15
County	William A Mayhew	seven	7
Treasurer	Peleg Barrows	five	5
Twenty eight (28)	Davis Cottle	one	1

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss

Tisbury April 18″ 1851 Then personally appeared Charles Smith and made oath that as having been chosen surveyor of the highways in said town for the ensuing year that he would faithfully execute and perforn all the duties imposed by virtue of his appointment before me

STEPHEN SKIFF *Justice of the peace*

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss

Tisbury April 22″ 1851

Then personally appeared Joseph R Luce and made oath that he would faithfully & impartially perforn all the duties assigned him as a surveyor of Lumber for the ensuing to the best of his skill & judgment, before me

A true copy STEPHEN SKIFF *Justice of the peace*

Attest JOHN D. ROTCH *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from Matthew P Butler Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venire from the clerk of the Supreme Court

of Barnstable to draw one suitable man of good moral character to serve at said Court as travers Juror,

Said Court to be holden at Barnstable within and for said County of Barnstable and Dukes County on the sixth day of May 1851.

The selectmen & town Clerk at the selectmens office on the 26″ day of april 1851 drew from the Jury box the name of David Nickerson to serve at said court as Traverse Juror

Attest John D Rotch *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from James D Peakes one of the constables of Tisbury & by his producing a venire from the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday of May, The Select men & Town Clerk, at the selectmens office on the 6″ day of May 1851, Drew from the Jury box the name of Davis Look, Edmund Cottle, James Mayhew, Timothy Luce, Jared Vincent, & Thomas H Smith for Grand Jurors, and Peleg Barrows, Richard G Luce, Isaac L Vincent Seth Luce & David Smith for Petit Jurors, to serve at said court on the second day of its sitting at 10 o clock A M

John D Rotch *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a legal notice from Matthew P Butler one of the constables of Tisbury & by his producing a venire from the clerck of the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown the selectmen & Town Clerk asembled at the selectmens office on the 13″ day of September 1851 & drew from the Jury box the names of five good & lawful men to serve as traverse Jurors, at the September term of the Court of Common Pleas to be held at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes, the following were the names of the persons so drawn Viz

Joseph Luce
Davis Cottle
Timothy B Lovell
Joseph R Luce
Charles Cottle

Attest John D Rotch *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, qualified to vote in Elections & town affairs, on Monday the tenth day of

November 1851 at 9 o'clock, at the old Baptist Meeting house in the west parish of Tisbury, Thomas Barrows was chosen moderator

Voted to accept a road laid out by the select men (as pr record, book No 2 page 69) agreeable to the petition of Job Gorham & others, and discontinue part of a road, also agreeable to said petition

Voted That the selectmen post up notices of the acceptance, and discontinuance of said roads,

Voted To adjourn Sine die

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury, qualified to vote in elections & Town affairs, on Monday the tenth day of November at 10 o clock A M to bring their votes to the selectmen for a Governor & Leiutenant Governor, of the commonwealth, and for a Senator for the district of Nantucket & Dukes County, and for a representative to represent them in the General court to be held at Boston on the first Wednesday of January next, to be deposited in the ballot box in one sealed envelop agreeable to the act of May 2″ 1851, at the old Baptist meeting house in the western Parish of Tisbury

Gave in their votes as follows,

For Governor

The whole number of ballots was one hundred & nineteen

For Robert C Winthrop	sixty	60	
" George S Boutwell	forty one	41	
John G Palfrey	eighteen	18	
		—	119

For Lieutenant Governor

The whole number of ballots was one hundred & nineteen

For George Grennell	sixty	60	
" Henry W Cushman	forty one	41	
" Amasa Walker	eighteen	18	
		—	119

For Senator

The whole number of ballots was one hundred & eighteen

For Daniel Fisher	sixty five	65	
" Smith Mayhew	thirty three	33	
" John H Shaw	nineteen	19	
" John Hammett		1	
		—	118

For Representative

For Charles B Allen sixty	60	
" Matthew P Butler forty	40	
" Abraham Merchant seventeen	17	
" William S Vincent two	2	
" Robert Mantor one	1	
	—	120

second balloting

The whole number of ballots was one hundred & thirty four

For Charles B Allen sixty eight	68	
" Matthew P Butler forty seven	47	
" Abraham Merchant seventeen	17	
William S Vincent two	2	
	—	134

Necessary for a choice 68

Charles B Allen had that number and was chosen

second, To give in their votes by ballot on this question, Is it expedient that delegates should be chosen to meet in convention for the purpose of revising or altering the Constitution of goverment of this commonwealth,

Whole number of ballots one hundred & five

No eighty six	86	
Yes nineteen	19	
	—	105

adjourned without day

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury held in capawack hall on the 22th day of March 1852, for the purpose of choosing town officers, and transacting other business brought legally before the Meeting Thos. Barrows was chosen Moderator and Wm. A Robinson sworn Town Clerk other officers chosen and business transacted as follows, Viz.

Voted for Selectmen { Thos. Barrows sworn; Edmund Cottle sworn; Bartlett Mayhew sworn }

Voted for Town Treasurer Henry Bradley (sworn)

voted for School committee { M. P. Butler, Davis Cottle, Wm A. Mayhew

Voted to adjourn one hour & a half at the same place.

Met according to adjournment the Meeting being called to order by the Moderator proceeded as follows Viz

Voted for Prudenshal School Committes

for the North West District Wm H. Davis.
for the South East " Wm Atharn,
for the South " Obed Nickerson

Voted for Constable M. P. Butler. sworn

Voted for Surveyor of highways, M. P. Butler sworn
Seth Luce
Hariph Mayhew
Chs M Luce sworn

Voted for Sealor of wates and measures. Henry Bradley sworn

Voted for Pound Keepers Wm Norton
Zadoc Athearn

Voted for Field Drivers Benjamin Clevelin sworn
Samuel Look sworn
Edward T Smith
John A Swain sworn
Wm S Vincent
Thos L Norton sworn
James Luce
Edward West sworn

Voted for Surveyors of Lumber { John W Howland, Wm A Robinson, Samuel N. Peas sworn

Voted for Fence viewers { Chs Smith, John D Rotch sworn

Voted for Health Committy { James D Peakes, Bartlett Allin, Seth Daggett

Voted for Fish Committy Thos Bradley
Benjamin F Smith
Nathan Smith

Voted for Hogh Reef Bartlett Allin (sworn)

Voted for Surveyor of Wood and Bark Bartlett Allin (sworn)

Voted for County Treasurer	Frederic Baylis	43	
	James W Hatch	7	
	Timothy Luce	1	
	Wm A. Robinson	1	
		—	52

Voted not to accept the Road layd out by the Selectmen Febury 28″ 1852 leading from Lamberts Cove to the West Tisbury Road

Voted to adjourn to the first Monday the fifth day of April next at 10 oclock in the forenoon

Attest Wm A Robinson *Town Clerk*

Tisbury April 5th 1852

At ten O'Clock A. M the meeting was called to order by the Moderator

The Town Clerk being absent, M. P. Butler was chosen Town Clerk protem, and being sworn to the faithful performance of the duties of said office; the meeting proceeded to the consideration of the business before the house

Voted 1st to excuse Wm H Luce from serving as one of the school Committee agreeable to his request

Voted 2d for Wm A Mayhew, school committee

Voted 3d To raise the sum of Thirteen hundred dollars for the support of the poor & incidental expenses

Voted 4th to raise the sum of Fourteen hundred dollars for the Support of public Town Schools

Voted 5th That the School Committee be requested so, to apportion the money raised for the support of Public Schools, that Each District may Serve an equal, or nearly equal term of time of school

Voted 6th that Two hundred dollars be raised for the repairs of highways, town ways and bridges

Voted 7 That the sum of one hundred dollars more be raised to repair highways

Voted 8th that the inhabitants have the privilege of working out their highway tax

Voted 9th that, there be allowed, and paid to Asa Johnson, the Sum of Ten dollars, as pr his Bill of August 13–1849, it being for labour done in repairing highways,

Voted 10th to allow, and that there be paid to

Thomas Barrows	Select Men	=	$12,,00
Edmund Cottle	of Tisbury for	=	8,,00
Bartlett Mayhew	the year 1851	=	8,,00
as pr their Bill the sum of			28,,00

for Service done in laying out a road from North Shore to the road leading from Holms Hole to West Tisbury, said road not accepted by the town

Voted 11th That that there be allowed, and paid to Bartlett Allen twelve dollars & Eighty one cents as pr his Bill for sundries articles furnished to George Richardson a Town pauper dated June 8th 1848

12th Voted, that the taxes be sold to the highist bidder and that he be Chosen Collector of taxes and that the said Collector of taxes give good and sufficient bonds to the select men to pay in quarterly-equal, instalments, into the treasurer of the Town, the amount of the tax bills committed to him, by the Selectmen

The taxes was then exposed for sale and knocked off to David Smith at 97¼ pr cent or that the said David Smith shall receive 2¾ pr cent for collecting the taxes and paying the same into the town treasury

Voted — that David Smith be collector of taxes the ensuing year

Voted that Bartlett Allen be fence vewer sworn

Voted that Chas Smith be Hogreeve sworn

Voted that the select men commit all delinquent highway taxes. to the surveyor of highways for the year ensuing; to be by then collected & expended in repairing highways in this several districts

Voted to Adjourn (sine die)

Attest Matthew P Butler

Town Clerk pro tem

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified to vote in elections, holden on the fifth day of April in the year One Thousand Eight hundred & fifty two, being the first Monday of said month, for the purpose of Voting for one county commissioner to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Stephen Skiff Esqr The Votes given in were sorted counted, recorded, & public declaration made, thereof and were for the following persons vis

Matthew P Butler twenty seven
Peter Norton fourteen
Wm S Vincent twelve
Attest MATTHEW P. BUTLER
Town Clerk Pro tem

Appointment

The Selectmen of Tisbury hereby appoint Matthew P Butler to be Town Clerk of said Town of Tisbury during the vacancy occasioned by the death of William A Robinson, and until another is chosen or appointed in his stead, to perform all duties of Town Clerk and make all records of the same

Tisbury April 6–1852

THOS. BARROWS *Selectmen of*
E,, COTTLE *Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest M. P. BUTLER sworn
Town Clerk

pursuant to notice from M P Butler Constable of Tisbury; and upon the venire Served by him; from the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court of Barnstable, to select as the law requires one good and lawful man to serve as traverse juror, at the above Mentioned Court, to be held at Barnstable within and for the County of Barnstable and Dukes County on the first tuesday of May next at ten o Clock in the fore noon The Selectmen & Town Clerk at the Selectmen's office on the 22″ day of April 1851 drew from the Jury Box the name of Thomas Barrows to serve as travers Juror to serve at said Court

Attest MATTHEW P BUTLER
Town Clerk

To Matthew P. Butler Constable of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in said Tisbury on Friday the thirtieth day of April Inst at one of the Clock in the afternoon; then and there to act on the following Articles Vis

1st To Choose a Moderator

2d To Choose a Town Clerk to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of William A Robinson late Clerk of said Tisbury

3″ To see if the Town will accept the list of inhabitants prepared by the selectmen to be placed in the jury box to serve as jurors

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this 15 day of april 1852

Thos. Barrows } *Selectmen of*
Edmund Cottle } *Tisbury*

Pursuant to the directions given in the above warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Town affairs, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

M. P. Butler *Constable of Tisbury*

A true Copy of warrant and returnes thereon

Attest M P Butler *Town Clerk*

Record of the doings of a Town meeting held at capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in the Town of Tisbury April thirtieth 1852 commencing at one O'Clock P.M.

The Meeting was called to order by the Clerk And

Thomas Barrows was chosen Moderator Matthew P. Butler was chosen Town Clerk & sworn to the faithful performance of the duties of said office

The following list of names of persons accepted by the Town, to be placed in the jury Box to serve as Jurors

1 Charles Cottle
2 Charles G. Smith
3 James Look
4 David Smith
5 Wm C Luce
6 Thomas Barrows
7 Robert Athearn
8 Davis Look
9 William N Gray
10 Peleg Barrows
11 Nathan Mayhew
12 Isaac L. Vincent
13 Jared Vincent
14 William Athearn
15 Matthew P. Butler
16 John Manter
17 Seth Luce
18 Theodore Luce
19 Joseph Luce
20 Bartlett Pease Jr
21 Henry Bradley
22 Shubal D Smith
23 Frederic Smith
24 Thomas West
25 Edmund Cottle
26 Abram Anthony

27 Chas. B Allen
28 Timothy Luce
29 Davis Cottle
30 Thomas L Norton
31 John D Rotch
32 Peter Norton
33 Alfred Norton
34 Hiram Nye
35 Harriff Mayhew
36 Charles Bradley
37 Eliakim Norton
38 Walter Hillman
39 Timothy B. Lovell
40 Wendell Crocker
41 Shubael Weeks
42 David Nickerson
43 Charles D Allen
44 William Daggett 2d.
45 Zenas Dillingham jr
46 Hiram Dexter
47 Thomas Robinson 2d.
48 John F Robinson
49 Richard L. Hursel
50 James Gray
51 Bayes Norton
52 William Norton
53 Calvin R Tilton
54 Bartlett Mayhew
55 Charles M Luce
56 Washington Adams
57 John W. Howland

Voted to amend the list of persons, presented by the select men, for Jurors, by striking out the names of Oorok P Branscomb & Chas Baxter, and inserting, the names of John W Howland & Washington Adams

Voted to Adjourn Sine die

Attest M. P Butler *Town Clerk*

To Matthew P Butler Constable of Tisbury

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in said Tisbury on Friday the Thirtieth day of April inst,, at two of the clock P. M. to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for one Standing County Commissioner to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Stephen Skiff esq late of Tisbury in said County; there having been no Choice of a standing county commissioner in the county on the first Monday of April now current And you are directed to Serve this warrant by posting up Attested copies thereof @ each of the public Meeting Houses in said town fourteen days @ least before the time of holding said meeting Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of Meeting afforesaid

Given under our hands this 15th day of April 1852

Thomas Barrows } *Selectmen*
E. Cottle } *of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the direction in the above warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the time and place and and for the purposes therein specified

MATTHEW P. BUTLER
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy of warrant and returns thereon
Attest M P BUTLER
Town Clerk

Record of the votes given in to the Selectmen at a meeting of the inhabitants of The town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections; held at Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in said tisbury on friday the Thirtieth day of April 1852 at two O'Clock in the afternoon; for one standing County Commissioner

Whole number of votes given in were 23

Vis For Matthew P Butler	Fourteen	14
For Peter Norton	Seven	7
For William A Mayhew	two	2

Attest MATTHEW P. BUTLER
Town Clerk

Tisbury April 3d 1846

Recd of Tristram Luce Nine dollars and Eighty nine cents in full for one eighth part of all the privileges of fisheries, appurtanences buildings and all privileges of every kind or nature whatever on or belonging to a sertain parcel of beech situated at the north part of chapaquanset pond Where the creek now is, six 6–Rods each Side, of said, Creek is now a fishery and intended for that purpose, to have and to hold forever for the benefit of the Said Luce and his heirs forever

Attest { EDWARD T. T. SMITH SAMUEL W LOOK
PRESSBERY L SMITH

Recd & Entered the above Receipt
May 7 1852 @ six O Clock P. M.
Attest M P BUTLER
Town Clerk

Pursuant, to notice from M P Butler Constable of Tisbury and upon the venire from the Clerk of the Court of common please to be holden at Edgartown in and for the county of Dukes County.

The Selectmen & Town Clerk assembled at the Selectmens office on the 10th May 1852 to draw from the juror's box six good & lawful men as the law reguires to serve as Grand jurors at the Court of Common pleas to be held at Edgartown on the last Monday of May Inst & to serve throught the year. The names of the following persons were selected

1 James Gray
2 Peter Norton
3 Charles G Smith
4 William Norton
5 Charles D Allen
6 William C Luce

And The Selectmen & Town Clerk upon the business aforesaid proceeded, to select from the jury box Five persons to Serve as traverse jurors at said common pleas Court to be held at Edgartown on the last Monday of May inst. and the Names of the persons so selected were

1 Henry Bradley
2 Theodore Luce
3 Thomas L Norton
4 Shubael Weeks
5 James Look

Attest Matthew P Butler
Town Clerk

Tisbury May 26 1852

Then Bartlett Mayhew assessors of taxes, Personally appeared before me and made oath that he would faithfully perforn the duties of said office according to law

M P Butler *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 28 1852 Then personally appeared before me; Edmund Cottle; and made oath that he would faithfully perforn the duties of the office of assesor of taxes for the ensuing year according to law

M P Butler *Town Clerk*

Tisbury June 1st 1852

Then Thomas Barrows one of the assessors of Taxes, personally appeared before me and was qualified according to law, to perform the duties of said office

M P Butler *Town Clerk*

To Matthew P Butler Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County. Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to in Elections and in Town affairs to meet at Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in said Tisbury on Monday the thirteenth day of Sept. Inst @ two O'Clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following Articles, to wit).

Article first, To Choose a Moderator

Article Second To take some action on a petition now before the County Commissioners for erecting a new Court House, agreeable to the petition of the petition of Chas Smith and others

Article third To act on any and all other business that May come legally before the Meeting in relation to the same

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time and place of said meeting

Given under our hands this 6th day of Sept in the Year 1852

signed Thos Barrows } *Selectmen*
Bartlett Mayhew } *of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

M. P. Butler *Constable of Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest M. P. Butler *Town Clerk*

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury held on Monday Sept 13, 1852 in pursuance to the foregoing warrant

1st voted Bartlett Allen was chosen Moderator

2d voted that Town remonstrate against the erection of a new County Court House in the village of Edgartown

3d voted that Chas Smith and Charles Cottle be a Committee to attend the meeting of the County commissioners and remonstrate against the erection of a new County Court House

4th voted that M P Butler & James D Peakes be Committee to draw up resolutions remonstrating against the erection of a County Court House

5th Voted To adjourn to 5½ O'Clock

At 5½ O Clock the Meeting was called to order and the Committee on resolutions Reported the following

Whereas there is now before the county commissioners a petition of a large number of legal voters of the town of Edgartown praying for the erection of a new County Court House in conexion with a Suitable plan for the safe Keeping and preservation of the public Records, as required by an act of the Legislature passed May 15, 1851 and will be taken into consideration at the next Meeting of the commissioners which will be held on tues the 14th Inst

Therefore Resolved

That economy and integrity in the administration of the public affairs Should always be kept in view by those in whose hands the public monies is intrusted as well as a strict adherence to the laws of this Commonwealth

Resolved,

That having appointed Chas Smith & Chas Cottle a committee to attend the Meeting of the County Commissioners to be held at Edgartown on tuesday the 14 Inst That the be and are hereby instructed to remonstrate for and in behalf of the Town of Tisbury against the erection of a new Court House with safes in Edgartown

An that the said committee respectfully represent to the Hon. county commissioners that we as a town are decidedly opposed to the erection of a new court House at Edgartown at the present time; for the following reasons, to wit,

First; we think the public interest does not require it, as the present Court House is amply sufficient in sise and style to accommodate the inhabitants of the County who any business in Court and spare room for a reasonable number of spectators

Second; our roads are not what they Should be, therefore if we are to be taxed for more than ordinary expenses, that we Should first see that all our roads are in such a state that all the inhabitants may travel with convenience and safety

Sixth; — voted that the above resolutions be adopted as the sense of this meeting

Seventh, — Voted that a copy of the above resolutions be prepared by the Town Clerk and forwarded by him to the county commissioners at their next Meeting in Edgartown

8th Voted to adjourn without day

Attest M P Butler *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from M. P. Butler Constable of Tisbury to the selectmen and Town Clerk of said Tisbury; and upon the venire from the Clerk of the court of common pleas to be holden @ Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes County

The selectmen and Town Clerk assembled at the select men's office on the 16th of Sept 1852 and Selected from the juror's box the names of five good and lawful men as the law requires, to serve as petit jurors at the court of Common pleas, to be holden @ Edgartown within and for said County, on the last monday of September now current,

The names of the persons drawn from the Jury's Box were

Bartlett Mayhew
Bayes Norton
John F. Robinson
John D. Rotch
Charles M. Luce

september 16–1852

M P. Butler
Town Clerk

To Matthew P Butler
Constable of Tisbury

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections to meet at capawac Hall in said Tisbury on Tuesday the Second day of november next at one O'Clock in the afternoon to bring their votes to the Selectmen for Electors of President and Vice president of the United States

And you are required to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of holding said meeting

Given under our hands this Eighth day of October in the year 1852

A true Copy Attest
M P Butler
Constable of Tisbury

signed Thomas Barrows
Edmund Cottle
Selectmen of Tisbury

pursuant to the directions in the above warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

M P Butler
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy of warrant and the Constables returns thereon
Attest
M P Butler *Town Clerk*

Tisbury November 2d 1852 Capawoc Hall at one O'Clock P M

The Meeting was called to order by the chairman of Selectmen & the forgoing warrant read

William Daggett 2d and Alfred Norton were appointed and qualified to take charge of, and distribute the envelopes at this election

The Selectmen then proceeded to receive the votes for electors at half past 3 O 'Clock

Voted that the polls be closed

The number of Ballots Received 164

The votes were as follows (to wit)

For Electors at large	
Robert C Winthrop of Boston	76 votes
George Bliss of Springfield	76 "
Charles G Green of Boston	64 "
James S Whitny of Conway	64 "
Stephen C Philips of Salem	23 "
James Fowler of Westfield	23
Pliny Cutler of Boston	1
Edward A Newton	1
For District Electors	
District Number one	
J H W Page of New Bedford	76 votes
S. B. Phinney of Barnstable	64 "
John H Shaw of Nantuckett	23 "
Isaiah Gifford of Provincetown	1
District Number two	
George A Crocker of Taunton	76 votes
Edward Carman of Hingham	64 "
William N Wood of Middleboro	23 "
Lemuel May of Attleboro	1 "

District Number three	
John Gardner of Dedham	76 Votes
Caleb Stetson of Braintree	64 "
Edward L Keyes of Dedeham	23 "
Frederic W Lincoln of Canton	1 "
District No. four	
Amos Lawrence of Boston	76 Votes
Isaac Adams of Boston	64 Votes
Timothy Gilbert of Boston	23 "
William Hayden of Boston	1 "
District No. five	
Robt G Shaw of Boston	76 votes
Benjamin F Hallett of Boston	64 "
John G Palfrey of Cambridge	23 "
George T Curtis of Boston	1 "
District No. Six	
Daniel C Baker of Lynn	76 votes
Jonathan Nason of Amesbury	64 "
John G Whittier of Amesbury	23 "
Mark Healy of Lynn	1 "
District No Seven	
George Coggswell of Bradford	74 votes
Eben H. Safford of Haverhill	64 "
Samuel E Sewall of Stoneham	23 "
Albert H Nelson of Woburn	1 "
District No Eight	
Jacob Coggin of Tewkesbury	76 votes
Walter Fessenden of Townsend	64 "
John W Graves of Lowell	23 "
Henry B Pearson of Harvard	1 "
District No. Nine	
Ebeneser Torrey of Fitchburg	76 votes
J. S. C. Knowlton of Worcester	64
Charles Mason of Fitchburg	23
Alvin G underwood of Oxford	1
District no–10	
Rufus Bullock of Royalston	76 votes
O P Ingraham of South Hadley	64
R B Hubbard of Sunderland	23
Homer Foote of Springfield	1

District no Eleven

Ezekiel R Colt of Pittsfield	76 Votes
Jonathan E Field of Stockbridge	64
Joel Hayden of Williamsburg	23
Luther Griffin of Richmond	1

Attest MATTHEW P BUTLER
Town Clerk

To M. P. Butler
Constable of Tisbury

Iin the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You are required to notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to in elections to meet @ Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in said Tisbury on Monday the eighth day of November next it being the Second Monday of said month @ ten o 'clock in the forenoon, to bring their Votes to the Select Men for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth and for a Senetor for the district Nantucket and Dukes County for the ensuing year and for a representative in Congress for the first congressional district called district no. 1; In one sealed envelope

2d To Choose a Representative to represent them in the General Court to be held at Boston on the first Wednesday of January next

3d To give in their votes by ballot on this question, Is it expedient that delegates be Chosen to meet in Convention for the purpose of revising or altering the Constitution of Goverment of this commonwealth agreeable to an act passed May 7– 1852

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said Town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hhereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant to ourselves at the time & place of holding the meeting aforesaid with your doings thereon

Signed THOS. BARROWS *Selectmen of*
EDMUND COTTLE *Tisbury*

A true Copy Attest
M. P. BUTLER *Constable of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet @ the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

Signed M P BUTLER
Constable of Tisbury

A true Copy of warrant and of Constable's returns thereon
Attest M P BUTLER *Town Clerk*

Tisbury November 8th 1852

At ten O'Clock A M the Meeting was called to order by the Chairman of selectmen

The forgoing warrant was read

Henry Bradley, Abram Anthony and were appointed to take charge of and distribute the envelopes, they were also sworn to discharge the duty, of the appointment according to Law

The votes for Governor, Lieutenant Gov. Representative to Congress, senator from Nantucket and Dukes County & Representatives to General Court were received all in one envelope, as follows

For Governor

John H Clifford of New Bedford	one hundred & five
Henry W Bishop of Lenox	Eighty seven
Horace Mann of West Newton	twenty five

For Lieutenant Governor

Elisha Huntington of Lowell	One hundred & four
James D Thompson of New Bedford	Eighty Eight
Amasa Walker of North Brookfield	twenty five

For Repsentative to Congress

Zeno Scudder of Barnstable	one hundred & seven
John Pierce of Edgartown	= Eighty Eight
Rodney French of New Bedford	= twenty three

For Senator from Nantucket and Dukes Co

Benjamin Manter of Chilmark	107
James Euston 2d of Nantucket	88
Edward W Gardner of Nantucket	23

For Repsentative to General court

Thomas Barrows	103
Matthew P Butler	80
Edmund Cottle	25
Wm Harding	1
Jirah Luce	2
Jabez Luce	1
Chas B Allen	2

no choice

2d balloting

Thos Barrows	109
Matthew P Butler	80
Edmund Cottle	15

Jirah Luce	4
Wm Harding	2
John Luce	1
	211

Whole number of ballots 211
necessary for choice 106
Thomas Barrows had 109 and was elected

Attest M. P. Butler
Town Clerk

Tisbury November 8th 1852

To Matthew P Butler
Constable of Tisbury

In the name of the Commonwealth of Mass. you are required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote for representatives in the General Court of this Commonwealth to assemble at Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in Said Tisbury on Monday the thirteenth day of December next at ten O'Clock in the forenoon to give in their votes for one Representative to Represent them in the Congress of the United States of America for the term of two years from the fourth of March 1853

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more of the public Meeting Houses in Said Tisbury fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this 30th day of November in the year one thousand Eight hundred and fifty two

Signed Thomas Barrows } *Selectmen*
Edmund Cottle } *of Tisbury*

Tisbury November 30 1852

pursuant to the instructions in the above warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein Specified

Signed M P Butler
constable of Tisbury

Attest M P Butler
Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury: qualified by the constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, to vote for Representative in General Court, holden on the thirteenth day of December, in the year one thousand Eight hundred and fifty two — for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Representative of said commonwealth in the Congress of the United States for District number one

The Whole number of persons who gave in their votes was accertained as directed by Law; and the Whole number of ballots was seventy one

And the whole number of votes given in, was sorted, counted, and declared as by Law directed; and said votes were for the following persons: Vis

Zeno Scudder	Fifty	50
Abraham H Howland	Twenty	20
M P Butler	one	1

Attest M P Butler
Town Clerk

To Matthew P Butler, Constable of Tisbury

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote for senator of representatives, in the General Court, to meet at Capawoc Hall in Tisbury on Monday the 7th day of March it being the first Monday of said month at ten O'Clock in the forenoon, to bring in their votes in sealed envelopes, to the selectmen; for the choice of a Delegate to meet Delegates from other Towns & Cities in convention in the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in May Next; then and there to take into consideration the propriety and expending of making any, and if any, what alterations or amendments in the present constitution of Goverment of this Commonwealth, and to devise and do all such matters and things as in, and by, the act of the Legislature of this commonwealth passed on the seventh day of may in the year one thousand eight hundred & fifty two relating to the calling of a convention are required and authorised to be done

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said Town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your

doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands this seventh day of February in the year One thousand Eight hundred & fifty three

Signed EDMUND COTTLE } *Selectmen of*
BARTLETT MAYHEW } *Tisbury*

Pursuant to the instructions above given I have notified the inhabitants of Tisbury as described above, to Meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

Signed MATTHEW P BUTLER *constable of Tisbury*
Attest M P BUTLER *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the instructions in the forgoing warrant and @ Law of the commonwealth of Massachusetts the qualified Voters, of the Town of Tisbury, in Town Meeting on the seventh day of March one thousand Eight hundred & fifty three, for the Choice of one Delegate to the convention for revising the constitution of Goverment of this commonwealth, proceeded to ballot for the choice of a Delegate & the result of the first trial was as follows

Whole number of ballots — ninety one =	91
For Alfred Norton 9 open Votes & 32 Votes in sealed envelope	41
For Jon^a. Luce 7 open Votes & 12 Votes in sealed envelope	19
For Thomas Bradley 3 open Votes & 5 Votes in sealed envelope	8
For Thomas Barrows 1 Vote in sealed envelope	1
For John Holmes 7 open Votes & 15 Votes in sealed envelope =	22

No Choice — And
proceeded to the second balloting

the result was as follows — whole number votes	111
For Alfred Norton 30 open Votes & 22 in sealed envelope	52
For John Holmes 31 open Votes & 20 in sealed envelope	51
For Jona Luce 5 open Votes & 3 in sealed envelope	8

No Choice

Voted to adjourn till to-morrow at one O'Clock P M
March 7th 1853

Attest M P BUTLER *Town Clerk*

March 8th The meeting was called to order @ one o clock P.M. & proceeded to ballot for the choice of one Delegate to the convention aforesaid, and Alfred Norton was Elected — the Votes were as follows

Whole number of Votes given in 137
For Alfred Norton 65 open Votes & 7 votes in sealed envolopes = 72
John Holmes 53 open Votes & 5 Votes in sealed envelopes 58
Jon^a. Luce 7 open Votes & none in sealed envelopes 7
the returns were sealed up in open Town Meeting March 8–1853
Attest M P Butler
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss,, To M. P Butler Constable of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in elections to meet at the old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on Monday the twenty first day of March next @ ten O'Clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles (to wit)

1st To Choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2^d^ To Choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing

3^d^ To hear the report of the selectmen and act thereon

4 To raise such sums of Money as may be necessary to defray the Town charges for the year ensuing & make appropriation of the same

5 To determine the manner of repairing highways Town Ways — & bridges the year ensuing

6 To bring in their Votes for County Treasurer

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said Town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant to the Town Clerk at the time of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this Eighth day of February 1853

Signed Edmund Cottle } *selectmen of*
Bartlett Mayhew } *Tisbury*

Pursuant to the instruction above Given I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections & Town affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

M. P. Butler *Constable of Tisbury*

A true Copy
Attest M P Butler
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place, and for the purposes specified in the foregoing warrant

The hour was announced, the meeting called to order, the warrant read, and the ballots for Moderator called for by the clerk,

The whole number of ballots were 40

Charles Smith had 39 and was declared chosen

The ballots for clerk were then called for by the Moderator

The whole number of ballots were 46

John D Rotch had 46 and was declared chosen was qualified and proceeded to duty

The ballots were then called for 1 selectman in the western Parish

The ballots when collected were assorted and counted by the moderator and Town clerk and Bartlett Mayhew was declared chosen, The ballots were then called for the second selectman,

The ballots when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and Edmund Cottle declared chosen

The ballots were then called for for the 3″ Selectman, The ballots when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and Thomas Barrows was declared chosen

The ballots were then called for for Town Treasurer, and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and Henry Bradley was declared chosen and qualified

The ballots were then called for for one School Committee from the western Parish and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and David Nickerson was declared chosen

The ballots were then called for for a second School Committee and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and Edmund Cottle was declared chosen

The ballots were then called for a third School Committee and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and Matthew P Butler declared chosen

On Motion voted the following named persons be Surveyors of Highways, Jared Vincent, John P Norton Matthew P Butler and Hariph Mayhew

Voted that each Surveyor of Highways have an order from the Selectmen upon the Town Treasurer for the amount Highway tax assigned to his particular district, that he give notice severally to the inhabitants of his district, when and where they may work to the amount of their highway tax if they do not work, the Surveyor may employ others to do the work

The ballots were then called for for a Constable and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and Thomas West was declared chosen

The ballots were then called for for a second Constable, and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator and Clerk and James D Peakes was declared chosen

On Motion voted that the following named persons be Fielddrivers, each person voted for separately Benjamin Cleveland Thomas L Norton Tristram Luce Thomas West, and Josiah Vincent

On Motion voted that Barnard Luce and Hilliard Norton be Pound Keepers the ensuing year

On Motion the following named persons were severally chosen Fence Viewers the ensuing year James Look Emund Luce Hariph Mayhew Nathan Smith and Charles Smith

On Motion the following persons were chosen Surveyors of Lumber the ensuing year, James D Peakes, Richard Hursel, and Washington Adams

On Motion James D Peakes was chosen measurer of wood and bark the ensuing year

On Motion the Treasurer was chosen Sealor of Weights and Measures

On Motion the following named persons were chosen Health Committee the ensuing year, Charles Smith, Thomas H Smith, Moses Brown and William H Luce,

On Motion the following persons were chosen Fish Committee, Thomas Bradley, Nathan Smith and Benjamin F Smith,

On Motion voted to hear the annual report of the Selectmen, which was immediately read, On Motion the Selectmens report was accepted

The following named persons were qualified for their respective offices in open town meeting John D Rotch Town Clerk Bartlett Mayhew Selectman Edmund Cottle Selectman Henry Bradley Treasurer James D Peakes constable, Surveyor of Lumber & Surveyor of Wood & Bark, Thomas L Norton Fielddrivers Bartlett Mayhew & Edmund Cottle assessors Thos. Barrows sworn as assessor and Selectman

On Motion Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first monday of april next at two O clock P. M

Attest John D Rotch *Town Clerk*

March 26″ 1853

Thomas West personally appeared and was qualified for the office of Constable

Attest John D Rotch *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to notice from Isaiah D Pease Sheriff of Dukes County to the Selectmen and Town Clerk of Tisbury, and upon his producing an order from the County Commissioners of Dukes County to draw from the Jury box six good and lawful men as the law directs to serve as Jurors to determine amount of damage sustained by James Wilbur in consequence of the road laid out by the Commissioners from Edgartown to Holmes Hole having passed through his land, The Selectmen and Town Clerk met at the Town Clerks office and drew from the box the following names

to meet on the premises april 13″ 1853

1 Hiram Dexter
2 Charles Bradley
3 Robert Athearn
4 John Mantor
5 Washington Adams
6 Walter Hillman

March 28″ 1853

Attest John D Rotch
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss

March 26″ 1853 Then personally appeared Benjamin Cleveland and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Fielddriver the present year in the town of Tisbury, before me Bartlett Allen *Justice*
attest John D Rotch *Town Clerk*

1853 April 2 ″ Personally appeared Matthew P Butler and was qualified for Surveyor of Highway by John D Rotch
Town clerk of Tisbury

Dukes County ss

To James D Peakes Constable of the Town of Tisbury

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts your are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Old Baptist Meeting-house in West Tisbury on Monday the 4″ day of April next it being the first Monday of said month at 12½ O clock P. M. to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for three County Commissioners on one ballot, for Dukes County, also two Special Commissioners at the same time and in the same manner, And you are

directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public places in said town seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three

EDMUND COTTLE *Select Men*
BARTLETT MAYHEW

Pursuant to the above warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the town of of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections in to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named

JAMES D PEAKES
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place, and for the purposes specified in the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order, the warrant read, and the ballots called for, for three Commissioners on one ballot, and for two Special Commissioners on one ballot,

The ballots for commissioners when collected were assorted and counted by the Selectmen and town Clerk and were as follows Viz

The whole number of ballots were sixty four 64

William A Mayhew	had	fifty	50
Allen Tilton	"	forty four	44
Benjamin Davis	"	fifty nine	59
Matthew P Butler	"	eight	8
Walter Hillman	"	two	2
James N Tilton	"	six	6
Jeremiah Pease	"	five	5
William S Vincent	"	four	4
Herman Vincent	"	twelve	12
Thomas H Lambert	"	one	1
Ephraim Mayhew	"	one	1

The ballots for Special Commissioners were then assorted and counted by the Select men and Town Clerk and were as follows viz

Matthew P Butler	had	fifty one	51
Herman Vincent	"	fifty two	52
Jeremiah Pease	"	one	1
Samuel Thompson	"	one	1
William Pease	"	one	1
James Look	"	one	1
Calvin Adams	"	one	1

A true copy
Attest JOHN D ROTCH
Town Clerk

Met according to adjournment of the meeting of March 21″ one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the warrant calling said meeting

The meeting was called to order, the warrant read and the ballots for Moderator Protemn called for by the clerk, the Moderator being absent.

The ballots when collected were counted by the clerk, the whole number of ballots were 21

John P Norton had 20 and was declared chosen Moderator pro temn

On motion voted to raise one thousand dollars for the support of schools.

On motion voted to raise two hundred in addition to the one thousand dollars raised by the precedent vote

One motion voted to raise the sum of fourteen hundred dollars for the support of poor and incidental charges

The ballots were then called for by the moderator protemn for a county Treasurer, and when collected were assorted and counted by the Moderator protemn and clerk,

The whole number of ballots were fifty one (51) All for Barnard C Marchant

On motion voted to raise the sum of four hundred dollars for the repairs of Highways & Bridges

On motion voted that the tax bills be sold at auction, the purchaser paying in to the treasury the whole amount of bills assessed, collected or uncollected, collectible or uncollectible, in four equal quarterly installments and give to the selectmen good and sufficient bonds

The tax bills were then forthwith exposed for sale and after much bidding were sold to Obed Nickerson for 97 pr cent, on the amount of

the bills, and On motion Obed Nickerson was chosen collector of taxes the ensuing year

On motion Benjamin Athearn was chosen Fielddriver in place of Josiah Vincent who refused to serve

On motion voted to choose one additional Health Committee

On motion voted that James D Peakes be one of the Health Committee

On motion voted to adjourn without day

A true copy

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *clerk*

The following are the names of persons qualified for their respective offices the fourth day of April 1853

Richard Hursel Surveyor Lumber Hilliard Norton Pound keeper, James Look and Hariph Mayhew Fence Viewers, John P Norton and Hariph Mayhew Surveyors of Highways

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *clerk*

Dukes County ss. March 28″ 1853

Then personally appeared Tristram Luce and made oath to the discharge of his duty as Fielddriver the present year before me

BARTLETT ALLEN *Justice of the peace*

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from James D Peakes. Constable of the town of Tisbury and upon his producing a venire from the clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court to select as the law requires, one good and lawful man to serve as traverse Juror at the above mentioned court to be held at Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and Dukes County on the first Tuesday of May next at ten O clock A M

The selectmen and town Clerk at the town Clerks office on the 25″ day of April 1853 drew from the Jury Box the name of William Athearn to serve as travers Juror at said court

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *town clerk*

Dukes County ss.

To James D Peakes Constable of the town of Tisbury.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to

vote in elections, to meet at the Old Baptist meeting house in West Tisbury on Friday the twenty ninth day of April instant, it being the fifth Friday of said month, at two of the Clock in the afternoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for two Special commissioners on one ballot for Dukes County

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copoies thereof at two public places in said town one of which shall be the Congregational meeting house in West Tisbury, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this this 18″ day of april in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three

EDMUND COTTLE *Selectmen*
BARTLETT MAYHEW

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named by posting up attested copies of the said warrant as within directed

Tisbury april 29″ 1853

JAMES D PEAKES
Constable of Tisbury

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the foregoing warrant. The meeting was called to order and votes for two Special commissioners called for by the selectmen on motion voted to close polls

The ballots were then counted and assorted by the Selectmen & town clerk and public declaration thereof made.

The whole number of ballots were four

William Vincent of Edgartown had four	4
Thomas Barrows of Tisbury had four	4

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from James D Peakes and according to the requirements of a venire from the clerk of the court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown in Dukes County, by him produced, the Select-

men and Town Clerk met at the Selectmens office in Tisbury, and drew, as the law directs, the names of the following persons, to serve at said Court through the year as Grand Jurors, from the Jury box, John W Howland, Matthew P Butler, Abraham Anthony, Jared Vincent, Calvin R Tilton, and Seth Luce, Also to serve as Petit Jurors the May term of said Court, Peleg Barrows Eliakim Norton, Shubael D Smith William Daggett 2nd and William N Gray, on the 14″ day May 1853

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss

To James D Peakes

Constable of the town of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Old Baptist meeting house in West Tisbury on Wednesday the eighth day of June next at two o clock P. M. then and there to act on the following articles

1″ To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2″ To see what course the town will pursue in relation to the road layed out by the County Commissioners leading from near the Mansion house Holms Hole to near the house of Bartlett Claghorn in said Tisbury agreeable to the petition of Charles Smith and others and made agreeable to their instructions, which the present Commissioners declined acting in relation to the acceptance of,

3″ To raise such sums of money as may be considered necessary to defray the expenses of said road,

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Office and one of the public meeting houses in Holmes Hole and at two of the public meeting houses in West Tisbury fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three

EDMUND COTTLE } *Selectmen*
BARTLETT MAYHEW } *of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the legal voters of the town of Tisbury to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes within named

Tisbury June 8″ 1853

JAMES D PEAKES
Constable of Tisbury

Attest JOHN D ROTCH *town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in said foregoing warrant. The meeting was called to order, the warrant read, the votes for moderator called for, counted and sorted and declaration thereof made by the clerk, and were as follows viz whole number of ballots were thirty nine John P Norton had thirty five Thomas Barrows had four and John P Norton was declared chosen

2″ Voted, that the sectmen take legal advice upon the subject,

Voted also that the selectmen pursue a course in accordance with advise received

3 Voted to indefinitely postpone acting upon the 3″ article of the warrant

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest JOHN D ROTCH
town Clerk

Pursuant to notice from James D Peakes constable of Tisbury and upon the authority of a venire from the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes county

The Selectmen assembled at their Office at Holms Hole on the 17″ day of September 1853 and after having appointed and sworn Peleg Barrows clerk protem drew from the Jury box four good and lawful men according to the requirement of said venire, to serve as Petit Jurors at the court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the last monday of September now currant The name of persons drawn were Davis Cottle Isaac L Vincent Joseph Luce and Timothy Luce

Attest PELEG BARROWS *clerk pro temn*

JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

To James D Peakes
Constable of Tisbury,

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, You ar required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town Tisbury quaified to vote in elections to meet at the old Baptist meeting house in West Tisbury on Monday the fourteenth day of November, at nine of the clock in the forenoon it being the second monday of sd month to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a Govorner and Lieutenant Govorner of the commonwealth and for one senator for the district of Nantucket and Dukes Counties, also for a representative to represent them in the General Court to be held at Bosston on the first Wednesday of January next all on one ballot or in one sealed envelop.

Second, To bring in their votes by ballot and inclosed within sealed envelops for or against the constitutional Propositions adopted by the convetion of Delegates and submitted to the people for their ratification viz

Constitutional Propositions

Shall proposition No 1 containg the preamble decaration of rights, and form of govornment, stand as the Constitution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts

Shall proposition No 2 respecting the Habus Corpus, stand as part of the Constitution,

Shall proposition N 3 respecting the rights of Juries, stand as part of the Constitution,

Shall proposition No 4 respecting claims against the Commonwealth, stand as part of the Constitution,

Shall proposition No 5 respecting impeachment for debt, stand as part of the Constitution,

Shall proposition N 6 respecting Sectarian Schools, stand as part of the Constitution

Shall proposition No 7 respecting the Creation of Corporations, stand as part of the Constitution,

Shall proposition No 8 respecting the Formtion of Banks, and requiring Security for Bank Bills, stand as part of the Constitution,

And every voter will vote on each proposition by its appropriate number, indicating upon his ballot the subject of the proposition, and expressing in writing or printing opposite to each proposition the word Yes, or No, said propositions to be all on one ballot,

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, at the public meeting houses in Holms Hole & West Tisbury fourteen days before the time of holing said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this 25″ day of October 1853

THOMAS BARROWS } *Selectmen*
EDMUND COTTLE } *of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified the legal voters of the town of Tisbury, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within specified

Tisbury November 14″ 1853

JAMES D PEAKES
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy Attest JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

At nine o'clock A. M. the meeting was called to order by the Selectmen, the warrant read and Chas M. Luce and Dennis Luce appointed to distribute envelopes, and the ballot box opened for the reception of votes for Govorner Lieutenant Govorner Senator for Nantucket and Dukes Counties, and Representative to General Court, all on one ballot, and ten o'clock another box was opened for the reception of votes for the Yeas and Nays on the adoption of the Constitutional Propositions, At half past eleven o'clock A. M. Voted to Close the polls for the reception of votes for State Officers,

The whole number of ballots deposited was one hundred and twenty seven (127) and were for the following persons viz

For Govorner	
Emory Washburn of Worcester had Sixty four votes	(64)
Henry W Bishop of Lenox had Fifty	50
Henry Wilson of Natic had Thirteen	13
For Lieutenant Govorner	
William C Plunkett of Adams had Sixty four votes	64
Levi A Dowley of Boston had Fifty	50
Amasa Walker of North Brookfield had Thirteen	13
For Senator from Nantucket & Dukes Counties	
Joseph Mitchell of Nantucket had Sixty four votes	64
Alfred Norton of Tisbury had Forty seven	47
John H Shaw of Nantucket had Thirteen	13
Walter Hillman of Tisbury had One	1
John P Norton of Tisbury had One	1

For Representative to General Court

David Tilton had Thirty five votes	35
David Tilton Jr had Thirty two votes	32
Thomas Robinson 2″ had Forty three votes	43
Charles Cottle had Thirteen votes	13
Charles B Allen had One	1

No choice, and preceed to a second balloting and after having voted to close the polls, the whole number of ballots for Representative were one hundred & twenty five

David Tilton Jr had sixty nine votes	69
Thomas Robinson 2″ had Forty three votes	43
Charles Cottle had Thirteen votes	13
James Look had Two votes	2

And David Tilton Jr was declared elected

At two o clock voted to close the polls for receiving the votes on the Constitutional Propositions the number of ballots deposited were one hundred and nineteen (119) and were as follows viz.

Proposition	No 1	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	
"	No. 2	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63
"	No. 3	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63
"	No. 4	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63
"	No 5	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63
"	No 6	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63
	No 7	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63
	No 8	Yes fifty six	56	No sixty three	63

Attest John D. Rotch *Town Clerk*

To the Hon. Senate & House of Representatives in General Court assembled

Your petitioner respectfully represents that he is the only owner of a lot of land butting and bounded by the head of Holmes Hole harbor, and respectfully asks your Honorable body, to grant him the privilege of building a Marine Railway and Wharf, into fifteen feet of water in lines paralel with said lot,

And as in duty bound will ever pray Tisbury January 2″ 1854

Charles Smith

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
In Senate Feb 2″ 1854

On the petition aforesaid Ordered, That the petitioner cause an attested copy of this Petition with this Order theron, to be served on the Town Clerk of Tisbury, and published two successive weeks in the Edgartown Gazette, said notice to be two weeks, and last publication to be three days at least, before the 28″ day of February inst, that all persons interested may then appear and show cause if any they have why the prayer of said Petition should not be granted

Sent down for concurrence

CHARLES CALHOUN *Clerk*

In the House of Representatives Feb 3″ 1854
concurred

WILLIAM STOWE *Clerk*

A true copy Attest

CHARLES CALHOUN *Clerk of the Senate*

A true copy Atest

JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

Recorded Feb. 10″ 1854

JOHN D ROTCH *Town Clerk*

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury, in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts — You are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet at the Capawock Hall in Holmes Hole on Monday the 20th day of March next at 10 o clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

1st To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting

2d To choose all Necessary town officers for the year ensuing

3d To hear the annual report of the Selectmen & act thereon

4th To bring in their votes for a County treasurer

5th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same

6th To see if the town will vote to continue the School Districts in Said Town as now divided, in conformity to an Act passed passed April 14th 1853

7th To tetermine the nanner of repairing the highways, town ways, and bridges, the year ensuing

8th To act on any and all other business that may legally come before said meeting

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Public Meeting Houses in Holmes Hole and West Tisbury in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this 25th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four

Thos Barrows *Selectmen*
Bartlett Mayhew *of Tisbury*
Edmund Cottle

Pursuent to the within warrant I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury, to meet at the time and place, for the purposes within named

James D Peakes
Const' of Tisbury

Tisbury March 20th 1854

A true Copy Attest W H Allen *T. Clerk*

Met at the time and place, and for the purposes specified in the foregoing warrent, the hour was announced, the meeting called to order the warrent read and the ballots called for by the Clerk for Moderator

Whole number of ballots for Moderator	15
Thos Barrows had	15
And was elected	
Town Clerk whole number of ballots	60
Wm H Allen had	60
elected, qualified, & proceeded to duty	

Voted to hear the report of Selectmen for the past year

Voted to accept the same

Voted to receive the votes for Selectmen on seperate ballots

Whole number of ballots for Selectman in Holmes Hole District 95
Matthew P. Butler, sworn 51
declared chosen
Ditto in North Shore District 100
Edmund Cottle had 62
declared chosen & sworn
Ditto in Western District 72
James Look had 48
declared chosen & sworn
Voted to receive votes for county Treasurer
Whole number 51
Barnard C Marchant 39
Henry Bradley 7
Scatering 5
Voted to receive votes for school Committee on seperate ballots
R. K. Jones Edmund Cottle & W. H. Luce were Chosen for the Year ensuing
Voted to adjourn until 1 oclock P. M.
Meeting called to order at that hour
James D. Peakes sworn & Leander West were chosen Constables for the year ensuing
Thos Bradley Nathan Smith & B. F. Smith were chosen Fish Committee
Matthew P. Butler & Washington Adams were chosen highway surveyors sworn
Field drivers John A. Swain sworn Benja Cleveland Frederick Manter, sworn Asa R. Luce & Ephm S Allen sworn
Pound Keepers Hilliard Norton sworn & Zedick Athearn
Fence Viewers Franklin Luce, James Cottle James L. Luce & Eliakim Norton all sworn
Board of Health Ralph K. Jones. Moses Brown, James Grey, Chas Smith & James D. Peakes
Surveyors of Lumber John F Robinson sworn Joseph R Luce sworn & Hovey Luce
Measurers of Wood & Bark
Richard Hursel sworn
Sealer of weights & measures Henry Bradley sworn

Town Treasurer — Henry Bradley sworn

Hog Reeves — Chas Smith R. K. Jones

Ellsworth A Luce & Asa R. Luce

Voted that each surveyor of highway have an order from the Selectmen upon the Town Treasurer for the amount of highway tax assigned to his particular District, that he give notice severally to the inhabitants of his district, when and where they may work to the amount of their highway tax, if they do not work, the surveyor may employ others to do the work

Voted to continue the Districting as heretofore

Voted that the Fish Committee be required to report to the Selectmen the Standing of their accounts

Voted to proceed to raising Money for Town purposes the year ensuing

Voted to raise one thousand dollars for the Support of towns poor the ensuing year

Voted to raise fourteen hundred dollars, for the Support of Schools the ensuing year

Voted to raise four hundred dollars for incidental purposes the year ensuing

Voted to raise four hundred dollars for the repair of Highways bridges &c the ensuing year

Voted to raise two hundred and fifty dollars in adition, to pay some of the notes against the Town

Voted That the collector of Taxes, be required to deduct 3 pr ct on all Taxes paid within three months after the issue of the same

Voted that the tax bills be sold at auction the purchaser paying in to the treasurer, the whole amount of bills assessed, collected or uncollected, collectible or uncollectible in four equal quarterly installments, and give to the Selectmen good and sufficient bonds

The Tax bills were sold to Charles Smith for 97¼ pr cent on the amount of the bills Chas. Smith chosen Collector of Taxes

Voted to adjourn till the 3d of April next 1 oclock P. M. Attest

W. H. Allen

Town Clerk

Sworn — Asa R. Luce — Field Driver & Hog Reeve

Attest Wm H Allen

Tow Clerk

Benjamin Cleveland qualified for Field Driver
Attest W H Allen *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss. March 25th 1854
Personally appeared before me, James Look of Tisbury, and took the oath prescribed by law to qualify him to serve the Town in the capasity of Selectmen for the ensuing year
William S Vincent *Justice of the Peace*

Copy Attest W H Allen *Town Clerk*

April 3 1854
Met as pr adjournment, Meeting called to order by Moderator Voted that a Committee be chosen to settle with the Agts of the Herring Fishery
Voted that the Selectmen compose said Committee
Voted that said Committee report at the next Town Meeting the Standing of Said accounts
Voted to adjourn without day
Attest W H Allen *Town Clerk*

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury, in the County of Dukes County
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury duly qualified to vote for Representatives in the General Court of this Commonwealth, to assemble on Monday at two oclock P. M. at Capawock Hall in Holmes Hole, the third day of April next, to give in their votes to the Selectmen, for on Representative to Represent them in the Congress of the United States of America for the remainder of the two years from the fourth day of March 1853
And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting houses in said Town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting
Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant to ourselves, with your doings thereon, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid
Given under our hands this twentieth day of March one thousand eight hundred & fifty four
M. P. Butler *Selectmen*
Edmund Cottle *of Tisbury*

I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named

JAMES D. PEAKES
Const of Tisbury

Tisbury Apr 3 1854

A true Copy Attest
W. H. ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes named in the foregoing warrant

Meeting called to order and the warrent read by the Chairman of the Selectmen

Proceeded to ballot for Rep to Congress

whole number		97
Thos D. Eliot	had	56
Abm H. Howland	"	41

Attest W H ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from James D. Peakes Constable of the town of Tisbury and upon his producing a venire from the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court to select as the law requires one good and lawful man to serve as traverse Juror at the above mentioned court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and Dukes counties on the ninth Tuesday next after the first Tuesday of March last

The selectmen and Town Clerk met on the 24th day of april 1854 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Charles B. Allen to serve as traverse Juror at said court

Attest W. H. ALLEN *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 6 1854

Then appeared Matthew P. Butler, Edmund Cottle & James Look and were qualified as ascessors for the ensuing year

W. H. ALLEN *Clerk*

The Selectmen of the town of Tisbury hereby appoint Zedoc Athearn of Tisbury to be Pound Keeper, within and for said Town during the present year or until another is chosen in his stead

MATTHEW P. BUTLER *Selectmen*
JAMES LOOK *of Tisbury*

Tisbury May 9 1845

A true Copy Attest
W H ALLEN *Clerk*

Zedoc Athearn qualified for the office of Pound Keeper
May 11 1854 W. H. Allen
Town Clerk

Persuant to a legal notice from James D Peakes Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venire from the Clerk of the Court of common pleas, the Selectmen and Town Clerk assembled at the Town Clerks office on the 13th day of May 1854 and drew from the Juror Box the names of six good and lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors, and five of like qualifications to serve as traverse Jurors at the Court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes County on the last Monday of May inst

The following are the names of the persons drawn

Grand Juror	Traverse Juror
Edmund Cottle	Thomas Barrows
Wendall Crocker	Davis Look
William C. Luce	Henry Bradley
Charles D. Allen	Harrif Mayhew
Timothy B. Lovell	David Nickerson
Thomas L. Norton	

W H Allen
Town Clerk

Appointment

The Select men of the town of Tisbury hereby appoint Bartlett Allen Town Clerk pro tem during the temporary absence of William H. Allen Town Clerk of said Tisbury

Matthew P. Butler *Selectmen*
E. Cottle *of Tisbury*

Tisbury May 15th 1854
A Copy Attest Bartlett Allen *Town Clerk pro tem*

To James D Peakes Constable of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of said Tisbury qualified to vote in elections & town affairs to meet at Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole on Saturday the eighth day of July, next at 2 O clock in the afternoon

Then and there to act on the articles following

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in Said meeting

2d To see if the Town will accept a town road as laid out by the select men from the County road near the dwelling house of William Merry 2d in Holmes Hole & runing Westerly to the house & land of James L Barrows agreeable to the petition of Thos Bradley and others

3d To se if the Town will accept a town Road as laid out by the Selectmen from the County road near the Baptist meeting house in Holmes Hole and running as described in the petition of Thos Bradley & others.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said Tisbury fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time & place of holding the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 17th day of June in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred & fifty four

MATTHEW P. BUTLER *Selectmen*
JAMES LOOK *of Tisbury*

A Copy
B. ALLEN *Clerk protem*

Pursuant to the above warrant I have notified the legal voters of the town of Tisbury to meet at the time & place, and for the purposes within named

Tisbury July 8th 1854 JAMES D. PEAKES
Constable of Tisbury

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden on the eighth day of July A. D 1854

1st Voted and chose Charles Smith Moderator

2d voted to accept a town road laid out by the selectmen leading from the county road in Holmes Hole near the dwelling house of William 2d runing westerly to the dwelling house of James L. Barrows

3d voted to accept a town road as laid out by the Selectmen runing from near the Baptist meeting house runing Westerly, thence Northerly, thence Easterley to the County Road near the post office a more particular discription of the above found on the next page

BARTLETT ALLEN
Town Clerk protem

We the subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury on the petition of Thomas Bradley & others have laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follow – – – – –

Beginning at a bound by the County road in Holmes Hole near the South East corner of R. K. Jones, lot & runing North 82 deg^{s}. West 22 Rods & 21 links to a bound set near the south West corner of Thomas Barrows, House lot thence North 82 West 24 Rods & ten links to a bound set at the South West corner of Presbury Nortons, House lot; said road to be 30 feet wide from the last mentioned bound to the Bound by the corner of Thomas Barrows, House lot the remainder to be 22 feet in width and to lie on the Southerly side of said course.

And we have assessed damages as follows for the owners of the land over which said Road passes (to wit)

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To Dr R. K. Jones the sum of		$45.00
" William Merry 2^{d} " " "		21.00
" Edward Harding		7.00
" Ephram Harding		10.00
" Thomas Barrows		7.00
	total	$90.00

An we allow one month to the several Owners of the land to remove the fences standing thereon, Which Said road is hereby reported to the Town for their acceptance; And when accepted & recorded is forever after to be known as a public Town Way,

M. P. Butler *Selectmen*
E. Cottle *of Tisbury*

Dated at Tisbury this 27th day of June A. D. 1854
A true Copy

Bartlett Allen
Town Clerk Pro tem

We the subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury have laid out for the use of the said Town, a Town way as follows (to wit.

Beginning at the second post standing in the fence by the County road in front of and near the South East corner of the Baptist Meeting House in Holmes Hole, and runing North 84 deg^{s}. West 3 rods to a bound, Thence North 86 deg^{s} West 6 rods to a bound, Thence North 88 deg^{s} West 9 rods & ten links to a bound set by the side of the road near the South West corner of Peleg Barrows, House Lot. Thence South 88

deg^{s} West 17 Rods & one link to a bound near the Congregational Meeting House; Thence North 88 deg^{s} West 10 Rods & four links to a bound by a fence in front of Timothy Luces, dwelling House, Thence North 10 deg^{s} East 33 Rods & 12 links to a bound on the land of Joseph Adams Thence South 82 deg^{s} East 24 & 21 links, to abound by the road near the South East corner of William Doggett 3^{d} House lot; Thence South 82 deg^{s} East 23 Rods & 22 links to a bound set by the County road near the South East of R. W. Crockers, House lot.

Said Road to be 27 feet in width from the last mentioned bounds, to the bound set on Joseph Adams, land aforesaid & to lie on the Southerly side of said course said road from the bound set Joseph S. Adams land to the bound in front of Timothy Luces, house to be 38 feet in width & to be on the Easterly side of said course; said road from the last mentioned bound set in front of Tim^{o} Luces, to the bounds near the south west corner of the Congregational Meeting house Lot to be 30 feet in width; the remainder to be 27 feet in width & to lie on the southerly side of said courses

And we have assessed for damages as follows for the owners of the Land over which said road passes

To Baptist Society		$11.00^{c}
" Benjamin Merry		4.50
" Nathan Smith		19.65
" Peleg Barrows		6.50
" Alonzo Daggett		4.20
" William Daggett 3^{d}		20.30
" Methodist Society		20.34
" William Daggett		33.00
" R. W. Crocker		34 00
	Total	153,,49

And we allowed one month to the several owners of the land to take off fences Trees & other property standing thereon,

Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance, and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a Public Town Way

M. P. Butler *Selectmen*
E Cottle *of Tisbury*

Dated at Tisbury this 24th day of June 1854
A true Copy

Attest Bartlett Allen
Town Clerk Pro tem

Pursuant to notice from Ja^{s} D. Peaks constable of the town of Tisbury, The selectmen and town Clerk assembled at the Town Clerks Office on the 9th day of Sept. 1854 and drew from the Juror Box five good and sufficent names to serve as Traverse Jurrors at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday of September 1854

The following are the names of the persons drawn

Shubael Week
James Look
Baze Norton Traverse juror
John F Robbinson
Alfred Norton

BARTLETT ALLEN *Town Clerk*
Protem

To James D Peakes Constable of the Town of Tisbury

Greeting

In the name of the CommonWealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole in said town of Tisbury on Saturday the seventh day of October next at one OClock P M to act on the buseness as described in the following Petetetion.

Sept 11. 1854

To the Gentlemen Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury

The undersigned Freeholders of said town Respectfully request you to call a town meeting for the following purposes to wit

1st to choose a Moderator.

2^{d} to see if the Town will purchase the farm formerly owned by Shubael Dunham, now in the hands of Hiram Dexter, and let said Dunham occupy said farm for a time allowing said Dunham the privilege of redeeming the same by paying the cost of said farm with Interest in a given time, If so to see what method the Town will take to raise the sum necessary for the above named purposes. Signed

RICHARD G. LUCE J. L CLEVELAND JOHN J. LUCE THOS. BRADLEY, GILBERT BRUSH MOSES BROWN, JON^{A} LUCE, THO^{S} BARROWS, H. P. WORTH, TIM^{O} LUCE, O. P. BRANSCOMB, TH^{O} ROBINSON

And youare required to serve this warrant by posting up attested Copies thereof at three of the public Meeting houses in said Tisbury fourteen days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due of this warrant to the Tow Clerk at the time and place of the meeting aforesaid. togather with your doings thereon

Dated at Tisbury
Sept. 21. 1854

Given under our hands at Tisbury this twenty first day of Sept. 1854

M. P. Butler *Selectmen*
Edmond Cottle *of Tisbury*

Attest
A True Copy
Attest Bartlett Allen
Town Clerk pro tem

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury holden in Said Town on Saturday the seventh day of October A.D. 1854

1st Chose Chas. Smith Moderator.

2. voted That when the vote is taken on the second article in the warrant it be taken by dividing the house

3d voted that the select men be impowered and directed to purchace the farm formerly owned by Shubael Dunham now in the hands of Hiram Dexter said Dunham to have the use of said farm without paying rent or Interest for the term of seven years;

said Dunham to have the privilege of redeeming said Farm within the above named term of seven years by paying the sum the farm now cost without Interest, and the Selectmen are Authorized to draw the Sum for this above purpose from the money given to the Town by Ichabod Norton Esqr Decased said money being in Bank.

Voted to adjourn without day

Bartlett Allen
Town Clerk protem

To James D. Peakes
Constable of the town of Tisbury Greeting

in the name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet at Capawoc hall at Holmes Hole in said Tisbury on Monday the thirtieth day of November next it being the second monday of said month at ten O clock in the forenoon To give in their votes to the Selectmen for Goveror & Lieutenant Governor of the Common Wealth:

and Senator for the District of Nantucket & Dukes Counties & for a Representative to Congress for District no. one and also for one Representative to represent them in the General Court to be holden at Boston on the first wednesday of January next, all on one ballot or in one sealed envelope, To bring in their votes for one County Commissioner for the town of Chilmark, And you are directed to have this warrant served by posting up attested copies thereof at three of the public meeting houses in said town. fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting, hereof faile not, and make due returns of this warrant with your doings theron to ourselvs at the time and place of holding the meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands at Tisbury the twenty third day of October in the year of Lord 1854

MATHEW P. BUTLER *Selectmen*
E COTTLE *of Tisbury*

Persuant to the within warrant I have notified the Legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named

Tisbury Nov. 11. 1854

JAMES D. PEAKES
Constable of Tisbury

A Copy

Attest BARTLETT ALLEN *Town Clerk pro tem*

At a Legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Tisbury Qualified to vote in Elections held in said town on monday the thirteenth day of November 1854 being the seconday in said month for the of giving in their votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senator for the Counties of Nantucket & Duks, for Representative, to Congress, for District No one — For a — Representative to the General Court & for a County Commissioner

The votes were as follows, to wit

Whole number of votes one hundred and fifty two 152

For Governor

Henry J Gardner had	115 votes
Henry W. Bishop had	15 "
Emory Washburn "	19 "
Henry Wilson had	3 "

For Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of votes	149 vote
Simon Brown had	115 votes
Caleb Stetson had	14
William C Plunket had	17
Increase Sumner had	3
Whole number of vots given in for Senator was	149
Ivory Lucus had	115 vots
Frederic C. Sanford had	15 vots
William Barney had	19 vots
For Representative to Congress	
Robart B Hall had	115 vots
Thomas D. Eliot had	22 vots
Abraham H. Howland had	15 vots
For Representative to the General Court	
Hiram Nye had	119 vots
James Look had	6 vots
Thomas Barros had	12 vots
H. P. Worth had	1 vote
William H. Luce had	5 vots
Prebury Luce had	3 votes
David Smith had	1 vote
Charles Smith had	1 vote
James Cottle had	1 vote
Seth Daggett had	2 votes
Dennis Luce had	1 vote

Hiram Nye was declared Elected

Atts Bartlett Allen *Town Clerk Pro tem*

For County Commissioner

Moses Adams had	94 vots
Allen Tilton had	19 vots
George Stewart had	1 vote
Ephram Mayhew had	8 vote

Attest Bartlett Allen *Town Clerk Protem*

To James D. Peaks Constable of the Town of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify the Inhabitants of said Tisbury qualified to vote in town affairs

to meet at Capawoc Hall in Holmes Hole on Monday the Fifth day of March next at one of the o clock P. M. To act on the following articles to wit

Art 1 To Choose a Moderator

" 2 To see if the town will accept the Road as laid out be the Selectmen leading from the County Road near Capt Seth Daggetts, to the County Road leading to Union Wharf.

& you are required to serve this warrant by Posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public meeting houses in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid,

Given under our hands this 23d day of Febuary 1855

M. P. Butler *Selectmen*
E Cottle *of Tisbury*
Jas Look

Attest Bartlett Allen
Town Clerk protem

Persuant to the within Warrant I have notified the legal voters of the town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the perposes within named

James D. Peakes
Constable of Tisbury

a Copy
Attest B Allen
Town Clerk pro tem

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury holden at Capawoc Hall at Holmes on the fifth day of March A. D. 1855

1st voted and chose Dennis Luce Moderator,

2 Voted that when the vote is taken on the acceptance a road that it be taken by yeas & Nays.

3d Voted to accept the Town Way laid out by the Selectmen & reported as follows

We the Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury have laid out for the use of the said Town, a town way as follows,

Beginning at a Stake any stones by the County Road at the South East corner of Capt Seth Daggetts, Garden Fence in Holmes Hole near the Bass crick

Thence running North four degrees east till it comes to the County Road leading to Union Wharf as recorded in 2d Book of Record 12th Page M. P. Butler E. Cottle *Selectmen*

Attest Bartlett Allen *Town Clerk Pro tem*

To James D. Peaks Constable of the Town of Tisbury in county of Dukes County = Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of said Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections & in Town affairs to meet at the old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on monday the twenty sixth day of March Inst,, at ten o clock in the forenoon then & there to act on the following articles: —

1st To Choose a Moderator

2d To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing

3d To hear the report of the Selectmen and to act thereon

4th To rais such sums of Money as may be necessary to defray Town charges the ensuing year. & make appropreations of the same

5th To determine the manner of repairing the Highways

6th To bring in their votes for a county Treasurer And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public meeting Houses in said Town fourteen days at least before the time of holding the said meeting, Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrent to the Town Clerk with your doings thereon at th time and place of holding the meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this eighth day of March in the Year 1855

Mathew P. Butler *Selectmen*
Edmund Cottle *of Tisbury*

Persuant to the written warrent I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within specified

James D Peakes
Constable of Tisbury

Tisbury Mar. 8th 1855

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the afore said warrant the meeting was called to orde By Town Clerk warrent read and the ballots for Moderator called for

The whole number of Ballots were 60

James D Peaks had 60 & was Chosen

A true copy Attest J. B. Nickerson *Town Clerk*

Town Clerk whole number of ballots			97
Joseph B. Nickerson had		75	
Thimothy Lovell had		21	

Joseph B Nickerson declared chosen qualfied and proceeded to duty

Voted that three selectmen be chosen on one ballot

Whole number of votes for Selectmen			104
Henry Bradley	sworn		84
Thaddeus Luce	sworn		84
James Look	sworn		90
M P Butler		9	
Edmund Cottle		4	
Charles Bradley		1	

Voted that the selectmen act as assessors

Voted the selectmen act as overseers of the poor

Town Treasurer whole number of votes			98
Charles Bradley had 98 chosen			

Voted the School committe be chosen on on Ballot

Votes for School committe

Whole Number of votes			74
Alphonso D. Luce	chosen	73	
Rodolphus W. Crocker	chosen	73	
Davis Cottle	"	73	
Edmund Cottle		1	

Voted the Town chose a prodential committee in districts that were not supplied

For South District

Wm Athearn No. votes 8 chosen

Voted they be chosen by hand votes

For North Distrect Albert West

Robert Athearn for South East Distrect

Edward Luce Chopaquoncet

Surveyors of High Ways

Obed Nickerson	sworn
Bartlett Mayhew	sworn
Ebbing Norton	sworn
Bartlett Claghorn	sworn

Constables voted there be 2 on one Ballot

Number of votes in all 81

James D Peaks	chosen	80
John F Heald	chosen	80
Wm Athearn		1

Tythingmen

Voted that Charles Smith & Benj F Smith be Tythingmen

Field Drivers

Obed Nickerson		Field Drivers
Bej Cleveland	sworn	Field Drivers
Hillard Norton	sworn	Field Drivers
Gustavus D Smith	sworn	Field Drivers
Moses T Cromwell		Field Drivers
Hervy Weeks		Field Drivers
John E Johnson		Field Drivers
Asa R. Luce	sworn	Field Drivers

Fence Viewers

Thoador Luce	sworn
Wm Norton	sworn &
Hariph Mayhew	

Joseph R Luce	Richard R. Hursell	surveyors of Lumber
John G. Chase	Hervy Weeks	surveyors of Lumber
Alphonso Smith & J. T. James		surveyors of Lumber

Surveyors of Wood & Bark

John D. Rotch Charles D. Allen & Samuel N Brush

Charles Cottle Job Gorham Sealers of Leather

Pound Keepers	Zadock Athearn	sworn
	Hillard Norton	sworn

Sealers of weights & measurs Charles Bradley

Fish committe Lot Luce Charles Smith & Charles Bradley wer schosen fish committe

Board of health James D. Peaks Thim Daggett Thomas H. Smith Joseph Clagorn George A Smith

Voted collecting of Taxes be sold the the lowest Bidder

Voted, to adjourn untill half past one

Time having arrived meeting was called to order by clerk chose James D. Peaks moderator & proceeded to business

Voted To raise the Law in regard to Heathen for one week commencing with the Third Monday in October, in each and every year Until otherwise voted by the Town

A question was brought be fore the meeting in regard to a road laid out by the selectmen Feb. 23 1855 aforesaid

The question was whether said road should be discontinued or not

Voted It be decided by Yeas & Nays

Whole No. of votes 103 yeas 39. Nays 64

Declared not discontinued

Voted to pass over 3. 4 & 5 articles & bring in votes for County Treasurer

For County Treasurer No. of votes 72

All for Barnard C Merchant 72

The Report of the selectmen was read

Voted to be excepped — excepped

Voted the Selectmen examine the case of Polly Smith

Voted to raise two thousand dollars for the support of Schools

Voted to raise sixteen hundred dollars the support of the poor & incidental charges

Voted to Raise four hundred dollars for the repairs of highways

Voted that the several surveyors instructions be the same as last year

Voted that all Taxes paided within 30 days after notice shall be discounted 3 per cent

Voted to remit the tax on three thousand dollars of Joseph S. Adams

Voted that the Tax Collector pay in to the Treasurer in four equal installments quarterly all Bills assesed, collected or not collectted except what the selectmen shall Remit

Collectorship sold to John W. Howland at 2½ per, cent

Voted to Adjourn with out day

Attest J. B. Nickerson

Town Clerk

Tisbury 29, 1855 March

Prersonaly appeared before me James Look and took the oath perscribed to act as an assessor the ensuing year

J. B. Nickerson

Town Clerk

Sworn J. F. Heald Constanble for Tisbury
Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Sworn Hervy Weeks Field Driver of Tisbury
Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County SS. March 29, 1855
Then Alphonso Smith appeared and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Surveyor of Lumber the ensuing year.
Before me Bartlett Allen *Justice of the Peace*

True coppy Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss March 31, 1855
Then Joseph T. James appeared and made oath to the faithful performance of the duty of Surveyor of Lumber in the Town of Tisbury the ensuing Year
Before me Bartlett Allen *Justice of Peace*

True Coppy
Attest J B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss. April 3 1855
Then personaly appeared Dennis Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty a surveyor of wood & Bark. Before me Bartlett Allen

True Coppy Attest
J. B. Nickerson *Town Clerk*

Tisbury april 3 1855
Heriph Mayhew appeared before and was qualified for Fenc viewer
Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

This is to certify that Joseph R Luce has been Duly qualified as surveyor of Lumber for the Town of Tisbury

Before me W^M^ C. Luce
Justice of Peace

Tisbury April 2. 1855

True Coppy
J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss Tisbury Mar. 31. 1855.

Then appeared James D. Peakes and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as a Constable for the town of Tisbury for the year ensuing Before me

Moses Brown *Just, Peace*

True Coppy

Attest J. B. Nickerson *Town Clerk*

prsonaly appeared Henry Bradley before me & took oath perscribed to act as assessor the ensuing year

Attest J. B. Nickerson *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss. Ap^l^ 4. 1855.

Then Richard L. Hursell personally appeared and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Surveyor of Lumber

Before me Bartlett Allen
Justice of the Peace

A true coppy

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a notice from J. F. Heald Constable of the Town of Tisbury and upon his producing a venire from the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court to select as the law requires one good and lawful man to serve as travers Juror at the above mentioned Court to be holden @ Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and Dukes Counties on the ninth Tuesday next after the first Tuesday of March last

The Selectmen and Town Clerk met on the 25th day of April 1855 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Bartlett Pease Jr. to serve as travers Juror at said Court

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County ss ap^{l}. 29 1855

Personally appeared before me Thaddeus Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as assessor for the Town of Tisbury the present year

BARTLETT ALLEN *Justice of peace*

Attest a true Coppy

J B NICKERSON

Town Clerk

Dukes County ss Ap^{l}. 28 1855

Personally appeared before me John G. Chase and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as surveyor of Lumber the ensuing year

Attest J. B. NICKERSON

Town Clerk

We the subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Tisbury have laid out for the use of said town (a town way, in the village of Holmes Hole as follows: Begining at a stake and stone on the northerly side of the County road leading to the Bass Creek by the suth east corner of Capt Seth Daggetts Garden fence, then through said Daggetts Land north 3 degrees East, Fifty five feet to Land of Holmes M. Athearn then continuing the same course through land of said Athearn Thirty five feet & 6 inches, to land of Charles Smith then continuing the same course through land of said Smith Forty feet to land of Thos N. Hillman then continuing the same course through said Hillmans Land, Sixty five feet to land of Charles Smith then continuing the same course through said Smiths land one hundred sixteen feet & 6 inches to Land of Wm Cook, then continuing the same course through said Cooks land one hundred four feet to land of Charles G Smith then continuing the same course through said Smith land one hundred five feet until it intercsects the road or street leading to Union Wharf at a stake & stone to be forty feet wide and to lie on the easterly side of said course, And we agreed for their damages as follows, to the land Charles Smith Twelve Dollars and to the said Wm Cook Twelve Dollars to be paid by the said Town of Tisbury,, and the said Seth Daggett Holmes M. Athearn. Thos N. Hillman & Charles G. Smith released all damages for laying said way through their land. And we allowed the several owners of the land aforsaid 2½ months or seventy five day to take off the Fences Buildings and

other incumberances thereon, Which said road is hereby reported to the town for there acceptance; and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way Dated at Tisbury this fifth day of May in the Year 1855

Damages	$24.00	HENRY BRADLEY	*Selectmen*
Laying out	6 00	JAMES LOOK	*of Tisbury*
	30.00	THADDEUS LUCE	
Staking Road	5.00		
Total	35.00	Probabl expense	

A true coppy

Attest J. B. NICKERSON *Town Clerk*

We hereby Autherise Thos Robinson 2d as agent of the Town of Tisbury to purchase liquors for the purpose of suppling the inhabitants according to the Law of this Commonwealth only for medicinal, chemical, and mechanical purposes

Tisbury May 7. 1855

HENRY BRADLEY *Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Tisbury.*

J. B. NICKERSON *Town Clerk*, Attest

Warrent

To James D. Peaks

Constable of the Town of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the Common wealth of Massachusetts You are requested to notify the inhabitants of said Tisbury qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the old Baptist meeting House in West Tisbury on Monday the Fourteenth day of May 1855 at 1 O Clock P. M. To act on the following articles to Wit

Art. 1. To Choose a Moderator

Art 2. To See if the Town will accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen leading from the county road near the Bass Creek to the road or street leading to Union Wharf

Art. 3. To see if Town will accept a List of Jurors made out by the Selectmen.

And you are required to serve this warrant by posting up attest copies thereon at two of the public meeting Houes in said Tisbury seven

days at least before the time of holding said Meeting. Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and Place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hand this 5 day of May 1855

HENRY BRADLEY
JAMES LOOK } *Selectmen*
THADDEUS LUCE } *of Tisbury*

Persuant to the within warrent I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named

Tisbury May 14. 1855

J. D. PEAKS
Constable of Tisbury

A true coppy Attest

J. B. NICKERSON
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place as specfied in the warrent the meeting was called to order by Town Clerk warrent read and votes brought in for Moderator

Art 1. Whole number of votes six all for Seth Daggett

Art 2 To see if the Town will accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen aforesaid Voted, that it be decided by Yeas & Nays

Whole, Number of votes were 12. Yeas. 1. Nays. 11.

Art. 3 To see if the Town will accept a List of Jurors made out by the Selectmen

Voted Matthew P. Butler be struck from the list Then voted the List be accepted

Voted to adjourn with out day

Attest J. B. NICKERSON
Town Clerk

Pursuant to legal notice from James D. Peaks Constable of Tisbury and by his producing a venire from the Cerk of court of Common pleas, the Selectmen assembled at the Town Clerks office on the 15th day of May 1854 and drew from the Juror Box the names of six good and

lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors, and five of like qualifications to serve as traverse Jurors at the Court of common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes County on the last Monday of May inst

The following are the names of persons drawn

Grand Jurors	Traverse Jurors
Allen Look	Charles M. Luce
Jared Vincent	Obed Nickerson
Thomas West	Thomas Robinson 2d
Eliakim Norton	Frederic Manter
Richard G. Luce	Benj Merry
Dennis Luce	

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County s.s.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualfied to vote for senators and representatives in the General Court by posting up two attested Copies on two of the Public Meeting Howses, to meet at the old Baptist meeting House in West Tisbury on Wednesday the twenty third day of May instant At half past one Oclock P. M. than & there to bring in their Votes by ballot to the Selectmen for or against each of the proposed Articles of amendments of the Constitutions of this Commonwealth submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption by an Act of the Legislature approved by the Governor May. 1. 1855.

2d To see what action the meeting will take in refferance to the decision of the Supreme Court at Barnstable in case of E. W. Gennings vs Town of Tisbury.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the subscribers at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hand this Twelth day of May in th year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five

Tisbury May 12. 1855

Henry Bradley *Selectmen*
James Look *of Tisbury*

Persuant to the written warrent I have notified the legal votes of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named

Tisbury May 23, 1855

James D. Peaks
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy
Attest J. B. Nickerson *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the foregoing warrent meeting was called to order and warrent read by the chairmen of Selectmen By him the Ballot box was opened and votes called for on the amendment of the Constitution

Voted to take up Art. 2 before closing polos vs the case of E. W. Gennings

Voted the case be carried up to the full Bench of Judges

Voted the poles be closed & votes counted which were as follows

Art.	first	Yes	nine	9
"	"	No		
"	Second	Yes	nine	9
		No		
Art.	third	Yes	Six	6
"	"	No	three	3
"	forth	Yes	six	6
"	"	No	three	3
"	fifth	Yes	nine	9
"	"	No		
"	Six	Yes	six	6
"	"	No	three	3

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Pursuent to notice from James D. Peaks Constable of Tisbury and upon the authority of a venire from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes County. The Selectmen and Town Clerk assembled at the Clerks office on the 13 Day of Sept. 1855 and drew from the Juror Box five good & lawful men to serve as Petit Jurors at the Court of common Pleas to be

holden at Edgartown on the last monday of Sept now current, the names of persons Drawn were,

Peleg Barrows, Walter Hillman, Shubael D. Smith, William Norton, John Manter,

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Tisbury s.s. To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Old Baptist meeting House in West Tisbury on Tuesday the 6 day of Nov. next it being the first Tuesday after the first monday of said Month at 10 O Clock A. M. to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor, Lieut. Governor, Attorney General Secretary of State. Tresurer and Reciverer General, Auditor of Accounts, Represantitive to the General Court and Senator for the Counties of Nantucket & Dukes on one ballot for the year ensuing.

2. To bring in their votes for a County Treasurer. Register of Deeds and one County Commisionary for the Town of Tisbury on one ballot. And you are directed to serve the warrent. by Posting up attest copies thereof at four of the public meeting houses in said Town. fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 13th day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five

Henry Bradley
James Look
Thaddeus Luce
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Attest Joseph B. Nickerson *Town Clerk*

Persuant to the within Warrent I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within Specified

James D Peakes
Constable of Tisbury

Tisbury Nov. 6th 1855

Attest. Joseph B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

At ten O Clock A. M. the meeting aforesaid was called to order by the Selectmen and Warrent read, and opened the Ballot Box to receive votes, for Governor, Lieut, Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Treasurer & Reciver General, Auditor of accounts, Represantitives to General Court, and Senator for the Counteis of Nantucket, & Dukes on one ballot. At half past eleven voted to bring in votes for County officers at 12 O Clock Voted to closed the polls for state officers At 2 O.Clock P. M. Voted the polls be closed for County officers —

The whole number of ballots deposited was one hundred & Eighty six (186) Vis

For Governor

Henry J. Gardner had one hundred & five of Boston	105
Erasmus D. Beach of Springfield had thirty nine	39
Samuel H. Walley of Roxbury had thirty one	31
Julius Rockwell of Pittsfield had ten	10
Joseph Hiss had one	1

For Lieutenant Governor

Henry W. Benchley of Worchester had one hundred & five	105
Caleb Stetson of Braintree had thirty nine	39
Moses Davenport of Newbury port had thirty one	31
Simon Brown, Concord, had ten	10

For Attorney General

Albert H. Nelson of Woburn had one hundred and five	105
Nathaniel J. Lord of Salem had thirty nine	39
Reuben A. Chapman of Springfield had thirty one	31
E. Rockwood Hoar of Concord had ten	10

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Francis DeWitt of Ware had one hundred & five	105
Jonathan E. Field of Stockbridge had thirty eight	38
Wendell T. Davis of Greenfield had thirty one	31
George F. Williams of Boston had ten	10
Joab Rellis had one	1

For Treasurer & Receiver General

Moses Tenny Jr. of Georgetown had one hundred and five	105
Stedman Buttrick of Concord had thirty nine	39
John Sargent of Cambridge had thirty one	31
Thomas J. Marsh of Waltham had ten	10

For Auditor

Chandler R. Ranson of Roxbury had one hundred and five	105
G. H. Whitney of Winchendon had thirty nine	39
Joseph Mitchell of Boston had thirty one	31
Stephen N. Gifford of Dixbury had ten	10

For Senator for Nantucket & Dukes

John H. Shaw of Nantucket had one hundred and twelve	112
Thomas Barrows of Tisbury had seventy one	71
Smith Mayhew of Chilmark had one	1

For Representative to General Court

Nathan Mayhew of Tisbury had one hundred & three	103
Walter Hillman of Tisbury had seventy nine	79
George W. Smith of Tisbury had one	1

For County Commissioner

Edwin A. Luce of Tisbury had one hundred and thirty four	134
Charles Smith of Tisbury had twenty	20
Wm A. Mayhew of Tisbury had one	1

For County Treasurer

Barnard C. Marchant of Edgartown had one hundred and sixty one	161

Register of Deeds

Josiah H. Smith of Edgartown had one hundred & sixty six	166

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest Joseph B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Dukes County s.s. To either of the constables of the Town of Tisbury Geeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at Capawock Hall in said Tisbury on monday the third day of December next at Two O clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following articles: —

1st To choose a moderator to preside at Said meeting

2d To see if the Town will accept a Town way as laid out by the Selectmen in the village of Holmes Hole in said Tisbury agreeable to the petition of Thomas Bradley and others

And you are directed to serve this warrent, by posting up attested coppies thereof, at four of the public meeting house in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrent with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid,, Given under our hands this twenty first day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen*
THADDEUS LUCE } *of Tisbury*

Persuant to the written warrent I have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within specified

JAMES D. PEAKS
Constable of Tisbury

Tisbury Dec. 3, 1855

A true copy

Attest JOSEPH B. NICKERSON
Town Clerk

met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrent meeting was called to order by the Clerk and warrent read and ballots brought in for Moderator

The whole No. of ballots were thirteen 13

Bartlett Allen had ten and was chosen

2d To see if the Town will accept a Town way as laid out by the Selectmen in the villiage of Holmes Hole in said Tisbury agreeable to the petition of Thomas Bradley and others

After it being duely Discussed it was voted to be decided by Yeas & Nays

Whole No of votes were sixty seven 67

Yeas sixty two 62

Nays five 5

Voted to adjourn with out day

Attest JOSEPH B. NICKERSON
Town Clerk

Dukes County S.S. To either of the constables of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the old Baptist meeting house in West Tisbury on Wednesday the fifth day of December next at one o clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following articles: —

1st. to choose a moderator to preside at said meeting

2d. To see if the town will accept of a Town way as laid out by the Selectmen in said Tisbury agreable to a petition of Edwin A. Luce and others

And you are directed to serve this warrent by posting up attested copies of the same at four of the public meeting houses in said Tisbury seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrent, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid, Given under our hands this Twenty sixth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five.

Henry Bradley
James Look } *Selectmen of Tisbury*
Thaddeus Luce

Dukes County s.s.

Tisbury Nov. 27. 1855

pursuant to the within warrent I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned

J. F. Heald
constable of Tisbury

A true Copy

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the foresaid warrent. meeting was call to order by the Clerk warrent read and votes brought in for moderator,

votes for Moderator vis

Bartlett Mayhew	had nine	9
J. P. Norton	had six	6

Voted Bartlett Mayhew be excused & J. P. Norton took the chair

The petition of Edwin A Luce for a road as laid out by the Selectmen was then discussed and Voted that it should be decided by Yeas & Nays

Whole No. of Votes were fifty three 53
Yeas twenty seven 27
Nays twenty six 26
Adjorned with out day

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

In consequence of J. P. Norton being Illegally chosen moderator, at the Town meeting held at the old Baptist meeting house Dec. 5th
The Selectmen ordered another meeting Vis,

Warrent

Tisbury S.S.

To either of the constables of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County. Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualfied to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Old Baptist meeting House in West Tisbury on monday the Twenty fourth day of December 1855 at one O Clock P.M. then and their to act on the following Articles: —

1 To Choose a moderator to perside in said meeting

2d To see if the Town will accept the road laid by the Selectmen according to the petition of Edwin A. Luce and others

And you are directed to serve this warrent by posting up attested copies thereof at four of the public meeting houses in said town seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrent with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five

Henry Bradley } *Selectmen*
James Look } *of Tisbury*

Dukes County S.S. Tisbury Dec twenty fourth 1855

Pursuant to the within warrent I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned

J. F. Heald. *Constable*

A true copy

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrent, meeting was called to order by the Clerk and warrent read and ballots brought in for moderator

1st ballot for Moderator vis Whole No –		41
J. D. Peaks had twelve	12	
Charles Smith had twenty nine	29	

Voted Charles Smith be excused from serving as moderator

2d ballot For moderator Vis Whole No.	32
Thos Barrows had twenty one	21
J. D. Peaks " ten	10
Edmound Dunham had one	1

Thos Barrows was declared chosen moderator and proceeded to act on the 2d articles in the warrent Vis

The petition of Edwin A. Luce for a road as laid out by the Selectmen.

A motion was put before the meeting that the question should be decided by deviding the house. declared not a vote

Voted, the question be decided by Yeas & Nays

Whole No. of votes were one hundred & eighteen	118
Yeas sixty six	66
Nays fifty two	52

Voted to adjourned with out day

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

Tisbury Mar. 20. 1856

We the Subscribers Selectmen of Tisbury met the Selectmen of Edgartown agreeable to appointment for the purpose of preambulatin the Town Lines between the Towns of Edgartown & Tisbury according to the Statute, having Attended to that duty we found them insuficient being not marked with the initials of the Towns agreeable to the Statute and have ordered the same to be done,

Henry Bradley *Selectmen*
James Look *of Tisbury*

Attest A true Coppy
Joseph B. Nickerson
Town Clerk

To James D. Peaks Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Capawock Hall in Holmes Hole on Monday the 7th day of April next at 10 O Clock in the forenoon then and ther to act on the following Articles

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2d To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing

3d To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and act thereon.

4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensueing year and make appropiations of the same

5th To see if the town will make appropiations for the making of the roads as laid out by the selectmen and accepted by the Town

6th To determine the manner of repairing the highways town ways and Bridges. the year ensuing

7th To see what action the town will take relative to a contemplated County road to run across Chapaquanset pond agreeable to a petition of Bartlett Allen & others

8th To see if the town will discontinue a Town way lately laid out by the Selectmen in Holmes Hole Village and accepted by the Town according to the petition of Richard G. Luce Others

9th To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to lay out a town way agreeable to the petition of Richard G Luce and Others.

10th To see if the town will pass a vote or make by Laws in regard to the holding of the Town meetings in said Town

11th To see if the Town will set off the land of Thaddeus Luce from the North East school District to the Lamberts Cove School District

12th To See if the Town will authorise the Selectmen & Treasurer to take legal measures in regard to settling with delinquent collectors of Taxes

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies at four of the public Meeting houses in Said Town Fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fourteenth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty Six

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen*
THADDEUS LUCE } *of Tisbury*

In accordance the within Warrant i have notified the legal voters of the toun of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within specified

JAMES D PEAKS *Constable of Tisbury*

Tisbury April 7th 1856 A True Coppy Attest LOT LUCE
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in foregoing Warrant the hour was announced the Meeting called to order the warrant read and the ballots called for by the Clerk for Moderator

Whole No of Votes		98
Henry Bradley	60	
Thomas Barrows had	38	

Henery Bradley was declared chosen —

Town Clerk whole number of Ballots		120
Lot Luce had		84
David Smith had		34
Wm Arthearn had		1
Thos Barrows had		1

Lot Luce declared chosen qualified and proceded to Duty

Voted that thre selectmen be chosen on one Ballot

Whole number of Votes for Selectmen		136
Henry Bradley had	92	
I Whelden Holmes had	81	
Bartlett Mayhew had	81	
Franklin Luce had	42	
J. D Rotch had	44	
Henery Manter "	44	

Voted to adjourn until 1 O clock P M

Meeting called to order at that hour and proceded to vote for Town Treasurer

Whole number of Votes	111
Charles Bradley had	83
Peleg Barrows	28

Votes for school Comittee

whole number of votes		119
A. D Luce	56	
R. G Luce	61 chosen	
W. A. Mayhew	61 chosen	

M. P Butler	51	
Chas B Allen	10	
R. W. Crocker	15	
James Mayhew	56	
Abraham Anthony	41	
2d Balloting Whole number of Votes		113
M. P. Butler had	64	chosen
Abraham Anthony	38	
C. B. Allen	4	
James Mayhew	3	
A. D Luce	2	
Edmund Cottle		1
Votes for Constable		
Whole number of votes		sworn 104
J. D Peaks had	55	
Richard L Hursel	42	
Elsworth Luce	7	
Votes for Fish committee		
Whole number		114
Lot Luce sworn	43	chosen
B. F Smith sworn	43	chosen
Hiram Nye sworn	40	chosen
Edward Harding	5	
Samuel Cromwell	5	
James W Hatch	1	

The report of the selectmen was read and Voted to be accepted

Voted to have the report of the selectmen Printed and each family in the Town suplied with a coppy

Voted to lay the 2d article of the warrant on the Table and take up the 4th article

Voted to raise Fourteen hundred dollars for the support of the Poor

Voted to raise Three hundred dollars for Incidental expences

Voted to raise Sixteen hundred dollars for public Schools

Voted to raise Four hundred dollars for the repairing of highways and Bridges

Voted to raise four hundred dollars to pay the interest of Town debt

Voted to raise Two thousand dollars to pay Town debt

Voted to take the 2d article from the table and act theron

Serveyors of highways
M. P. Butler sworn
Obed Nickerson
Timothy B Lovell
Voted that the serveyors instructions be the same as last year
Fence Viewers Chas Smith
James Cottle
Theodor Luce
Voted that Tristram Luce qualified
Asa R Luce qualified
Timothy B Lovel
be Field Drivers The ensuing year
Benj Cleveland sworn
Surveyos of Lumber John F. Robinson J T James J. M Luce and quallified in Open Town meting
Surveyors of Wood and Bark
James D Peaks sworn
Thaddeus Luce was chosen Sealer of leather
Hog Reeves Elsworth Luce and James D Peaks chosen
Pound keeper Hilyard Norton and Thomas Merry
Health Committe chosen
Alexander Smith
David Smith
R K Jones
Charles Holms
James D Peakes
Voted to lay the 5th article of the warrent on the Table
Voted to pass over the 7th article of the warrant and lay the 8th and 9th on the table
Voted that all the Town meetings be holden in the East parish the ensuing year
Voted to lay 11th article on the Table
Voted that the Treasurer of the Town be collector of Taxes and that he have 1 pr centum on all Moneys colected.
Voted to pay the Treasurer sixteen dollars for his services as Treasurer of the Toun
Voted that all Taxes paid within 30 days after notice shall be discounted 3 pr cent 60 days 2 pr cent 120 days 1 pr cent

Voted to pass over the 11th article

Voted that the selectmen Call up the delinquent Collectors of Taxes for settlement

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Sworn Tristram Luce Asa R Luce and Timothy B Lovell Field Driver

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Joseph T James Joseph R Luce John F Robinson personala appeared before me and were qualified Surveyors of Lumber

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Personaly appeared before me Charles Bradly and mad oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Treasurer and Collector

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Dukes county S.S. April 11th 1856

Then personally appeared Obed Nickerson and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as surveyor of highways for the ensueing year

Before me William A Mayhew
Justice of the peace

A true copy.

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

then personally appeared before me Thomas Merry and made oath to the faithfull performance of his duty as pound Keeper

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

personally appeared before me Matthew P Butler and make oath to the lawful performance of his duty as Surveyor of Highways

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To James D Peaks

Constable of the town of Tisbury in Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury quali-

fied to vote in town and county affairs to assemble in capawock hall on friday the twenty fifth instant at ten o clock in the forenoon for the purpose of bringing in their votes for one Special Commissioner for the said county of Dukes county to fill a vacancy not provided for since the last Triennial Election, for such officers, and who is to be elected for the term which will expire at the time of the annual Election in November next

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Tisbury this eighteenth day of april in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty six

J. Whelden Holmes } *Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury*
Bartlett Mayhew }

In accordance with the within warrant i have notified the legal voters of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within Specified

James D Peaks
Constable of Tisbury

Tisbury April 25. 1856.
A true coppy
Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose speccified in the warrant meeting was called to order by chairman of Selectmen and the warrant was read and proceded to ballot for Special commissioner

Whole numb of Votes Thirty Eight

for Special Commissioner
John Holmes had Twenty Six
Thomas Barrows had Eleven
J. Wheldon Holmes had One

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from James D Peaks constable of the town of Tisbury and upon his producing Venire from the clerk of the Suprime Judicial court to select as the law requires one good and lawfull man to serve as Travers Juror at the above mentioned Court To be holden at

Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and Dukes counties on the first Tuesday in May next

The selectmen and Town Clerk met on the 25 day of April 1856 at the Town clerks office and dreu from the Juror Box the name of Charles Lambert to serve as Traverse Juror at Said court

Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Dukes County S S May 3d 1856

Then personaly appeared Henery Bradley Bartlett Mayhew 2d and J. W. Holmes and made oath to the faithful performance of their duty as assessors of taxes for the ensueing year in the town of Tisbury

Before me Bartlett Allen
Justice of the Peace

A true copy

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerck*

Pursuant to Notice from James D. Peaks constable of the town of Tisbury and upon his produceing a venire from the clerk of court of common pleas the selectmen assembled at the Town clerks office on the 15th day of May 1856 and drew from the Juror Box the names of six good and lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors and five of like qulifications to serve as Traverse Jurors at the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes County on the last Monday of May inst The following are the names of Jurors drawn

Grand Jurors	Traverse Jurors
Hyram Nye	Charles G. Smith
Alfred Norton Jur	Charles Bradley
Wendal Luce	John W Arthearn
Thaddeus Luce	Joseph B. Nickerson
Shubal Weeks	Peter Manter
James Grey	

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to notice from James D. Peaks constable of the town of Tisbury and upon his producing a venire from the clerk of the court of common pleas the slectmen assembled at the Town Clerks office on the 13th day of September 1856 and drew from the Juror Box the names of five good and lawfull men to serve as Traverse Jurors at the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county

of Dukes county on the last monday in September inst the following are the names of Jurors drawn

Traverse Jurors

Joseph Luce	Richard L Hursel	Calvin Tilton
John D Rotch	Josiah H Vincent	

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

To James D. Peaks constable of the town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as the constitution requires to assemble at the Capawock Hall in said Tisbury on Tuesday the 4th day of November A. D. 1856 at 10.O.Clock in the forenoon to bring their votes as follows.

1st For electors of President and Vice President of the United States on one ballot.

2d For Govenor. Lieut Govenor. Secretary Treasurer and Receiver General Auditor of Accounts. Councillor for District number one Representative in Congress for District number one Attorney General Senator for the District of Nantucket and Dukes Counties Representative in General Court District Attorney on one ballot.

3d For Commissioner of insolvency Register of Insolvency. Sherriff. Register of Probate Clerk of the courts of common pleas for Dukes County One County Commissioner for the town of edgartown Two special County Commissioners for Dukes County on one ballot

The selectmen will be in session at Capawock Hall on Tuesday the 4th day of November A D 1856 at 9 O clock in the forenoon for the purpose of correcting the lists of Voters

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereoff at two of the publick meeting houses in said Toun fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings theron to ourselves at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hand this seventeenth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty Six

HENERY BRADLEY	*Selectmen*
J. WHELDEN HOLMES	*of*
BARTLETT MAYHEW	*Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

I have served the within Warrant by posting up attested copies of the same as within directed

signed JAMES D PEAKS
Constable of Tisbury

Tisbury November 4th A D 1856

A true Copy of warrant and Constabls returns theron
Attest LOT LUCE
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the Warrant the meeting was called to order by the chairman of the selectmen

Then proceded to receive Votes For Electors of President and Vice President of the United States

At half past 2 O Clock in the afternoon The Polls were closed the Votes counted and public decclaration thereof made and were as follows —

The whole number of Ballots receved was

Two hundred Forty Five	245
For Electors at large	
Nathaniel J. Lord of Salem Fifty One	51
Whiting Griswold of Greenfield Fifty One	51
William Appleton of Boston One hundred nine	109
Charles D Stockbridge of Whatley one hundred nine	109
Julius Rockwell of Pittsfield Eighty five	85
Thomas Colt of Pittsfield Eighty five	85
For District No 1	
Abraham H. Howland of New Bedford Fifty one	51
John Balies of New Bedford One hundred nine	109
John Vinson of Edgartown Eight Five	85
District No 2	
Jared Pratt of Middlborough Fifty one	51
Henery Dimon Jr of Fall River One hundred nine	109
Azariah B. Wheeler of North Bridgewater Eighty Five	85
District No. 3	
Bradford L. Wales of Randolph Fifty one	51
Alfred B. Ely of Newton one hundred nine	109
Geo. R. Russell of West Roxbury Eighty Five	85

District No 4

Patrick Riley of Boston	Fifty one	51
Archelaus Wilson Boston	one hundred nine	109
George of Boston	Eighty Five	85

District No 5

Daniel Draper of Boston	Fifty one	51
Zelotes Hosmer of Cambridge	one hundred nine	109
Lucius B Marsh of Boston	Eighty Five	85

District No 6

William Hammond of Marblehead	Fifty one	51
Henery Luscumb Jr of Salem	one hundred nine	109
Geo. H Devereaux of Salem	Eighty Five	85

District No 7

Edward Riddle of charleston	Fifty one	51
Luther V. Bell of charleston	one hundred nine	109
James M. Usher of Medford	eighty Five	85

Distirct No 8

James C. Abbot of Lowell	Fifty one	51
Jefforson Bancroft of Lowell	one hundred nine	109
John Nesmith of Lowell	eighty Five	85

District No 9

George W Benchley of Wocester	Fifty one	51
Joseph W. Leland of Grafton	one hundred nine	109
John S C Knowlton of Wocester	eighty Five	85

District No 10

Alonzo W. Blanchard of Palmer	Fifty one	51
Joseph E. Marsh of chicopee Falls	one hundred nine	109
Charles E Forbes of Northampton	eighty Five	85

District No. 11

Thomas F. Plunkett of Pittsfield	Fifty one	51
Franklin Weston of Dalton	one hundred nine	109
Franklin Ripley of Greenfield	eighty Five	85

For Governer

Whole number of Ballots

Two hundred thirty six 236

Erasmus D Beach of Springfield	Fifty Five	55
Geo Wm Gordon of Boston	Ninety three	93
Henery J. Gardiner of Boston	Seventy Six	76
Luther V. Bell of charleston	Twelve	12

For Lieut. Governer

Albert Currier of Newburyport Fifty Five 55
Homer Foot of Springfield one hundred Five 105
Henery W. Benchley of Wocester Seventy nine 79

For Representative To Congrss 1t. Distrct

Daniel Fisher of Edgartown one hundred fifty six 156
Robert B. Hall of Plymouth seventy nine 79
Moses Bates Jr of Plymouth Four 4

For Secretary of State

Jonathan E. Feild of Stockbridge Fifty Five 55
William M. Cornell of Boston Ninety three 93
Francis De Witt of Ware Seventy nine 79
Wm S. Lincoln of Wocester Twelve 12

For Attorney General

Ezera Wilkinson of Dedham Fifty Four 54
John H. Clifford of New Bedford one hundred seventy two 172

For Auditor

Giles H Whiteing of Winchendon Fifty Five 55
Timothy Ingraham of New Bedford Ninty Three 93
Chandler R. Ransom of Roxbury Seventy nine 79

For Treasurer

Stedman Buttrick of concord Fifty Five 55
Moses Tenny Jr of Georgetown seventy nine 79
Geo. Foster of Lynn Ninety Three 93
John Sargent of cambridge Twelve 12

For Counsillor. First District

Isaac C Taber of New Bedford Fifty Five
Peleg Barrows of Tisbury Ninety Four
Geo Howland of Newbedford Seventy nine

For District Attorney Southern District

Horatio Pratt of Taunton Fifty four
Lincoln F Brigham of New Bedford Ninety Three

For Senator for Nantucket and Duke Counties

Charles P. Swain of Nantucket Fifty Four
George Harris of Nantucket one hundred six
John H Shaw of Nantucket seventy Nine

For Representative to Gen. Court
Henery Manter Seventy
Henery Bradley Ninety three
Leander Daggett Seventy
Henery Bradley Elected
County Ballots for officers
For Sheriff
Isaih D Pease of Edgartown had 135
J. D. Pease of Edgartown Nineteen 19
Samuel Kensengton of edgartown Seventy one 71
James Pent One
For Register of Probate
Cornelius B Merchant of edgartown one hundred fifty five 155
Hebron Vincent of edgartown seventy Four 74
Chas Bradley of Tisbury one 1
Commissioner of Insolvency
Allen Tilton of Chilmark one hundred fifty seven 157
Charles Smith of Tisbury Seventy Two 72
For Clerk of the Courts
R. L. Pease of Edgartown seventy two 72
David Smith of Tisbury one hundred Fifty seven 157
For County Commissioners
Abraham Orsborne of Edgartown one hundred fifty five 155
Benjamin Davis of Edgartown seventy two
For Special Commissioners
Charles G Smith of Tisbury one hundred fifty Four 154
Wm S. Vincent of Tisbury seventy one 71
Richd Flanders of Chilmark one hundred fifty seven 157
James O Lambert of Chilmark seventy one 71
Register of Insolvency
Frederick E Terrell of Edgartown one hundred twenty one 121
F. E Terrell of Edgartown seventeen 17
Gilbert Brush of Tisbury seventy two 72
Voted to adjourn without Day
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Massachusetts in General court assembled

We your pettioners would respectfully represent that they are the sole owners of all the land adjoining that part of the Lagoon Pond above long point so called containing not more than seven Acres of Water your petetioners would respectfuly request your Honourable body to grant them the authority to erect a dam across from said long point and stop the water course now open for the purpose of forming a Hering & Perch fishery with full power to them their heirs and associates to construct said Herring & Perch fishery, with all its Benefits leaving to the Public all the right of taking fish from said water as heretofore they possessed consisting of Eels clams of all Kinds and that the petioners their heirs & assigns and associates shall not at any time so raise the water as to cause damage to the meadows adjoining said waters And as in duty Bound will ever pray

BAZE NORTON & OTHERS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
in Senate Feb 10 1857

On the pettition aforsaid Ordered that the petitioners cause an attested coppy of the afforsaid Petition with this Order thereon to be published in the Vineyard Gazette and served on the Town Clerks of the Town of Edgartown & Tisbury the said publication and service to be Three days at least before the ninth day of March next that all persons interested may then appear and shew cause if any they have why the prayer of said petetions should not be granted

Sent down for concurence
P. L Cox *Clerk*

in the hous of representatives Feb 11th 1857
Concurred
WILLIAM STOWE *Clerk*

A true attest
P. L. Cox *Clerk of the Senate.*

A true copy
Attest LOT LUCE
Town Clerk

Recorded March 4th 1857

Tisbury S. S. To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

I. the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the old Baptist meeting House in West Tisbury on Monday the 6th day of April next at 10 oclock P. M. then and there to act on the following articles

1st To chose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2d To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

3d To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and act thereon

4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same

5th To determine the manner of repairing the high ways Town ways and Bridges the year ensuing

6th To see if the Town will vote that the office of the Town Clerk shall hereafter be located in the village of Holmes Hole agreeable to the Petition of Moses Brown and others,

7th To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to furnish the Town Clerks Office with suitable Book Cases and other necessary appertenances agreeable to the Petition of Moses Brown and others

8th To see if the Town will continue their School Districts

9th To see if the Town will make and adopt buy Laws concerning the licencing, regulating and restraining of dogs agreeable to the petition of Edward Harding and others

10th To see what action the Town will take uppon the Petition of Thos Robinson and others in regard to the liquor agency

11th To see if the Town will discontinue the road commencing at Tashmaw hill and terminating at the high Woods known by the name of the back road

12 To see if the Town will discontinue so much of the road leading from West Tisbury to Holmes Hole commencing on the new road near Pine Hill road terminating at the road leading to middle Town so called

And you are directed to serve this warrent by posting up attested coppies thereof at two public Meeting Houses in the said Town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of the warrent with your

doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty first day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

Henry Bradley
J. Whelden Holmes } *Selectmen of Tisbury*
Bartlett Mayhew

I have executed the within Warrent by posting up attested coppies of the same at two of the public Meeting Houses in said Town of Tisbury as with directed

James D. Peaks
Constable Tisbury

Tisbury April 6th 1857

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in fore going Warrant, The Hour was announced the Meeting called the warrant read and the ballots called for by the Clerk for Moderator

Whole number of 20

J Whelden Holmes	19
Charles Bradley	1

J Whelden Holmes was chosen

Votes for Town Clerk

whole number of votes 55

Timothy B. Lovell	21
J. B. Nickerson	15
Lot Luce	14
J D. Rotch	5

Timothy B Lovell declared chosen

Voted to lay 2d article on Table and take up 3d

Voted to accept report of Selectmen

Voted to take up 2d article

Votes for Selectmen

Thomas Barrows	2
Franklin Luce	3
Bartlet Mayhew 2d	58
Henry Manter	53

J Whelden Holmes	15	
Henry Bradley	32	
Edmond Cottle	16	
Job Gorham	1	
Charles Smith	7	

Bartlet Mayhew Henry Manter and Henry Bradley declared chosen

Votes for Treasurer

Charles Bradley	45	
Gilbert Brush	2	

Charles Bradley declared chosen sworn

Voted to adjourn intil half past one

Met according to adjournment

Votes for School Committee

Mathew P. Butler	41	chosen
Richard G Luce	33	chosen
Edmond Cottle	10	
Daniel A Cleveland	15	
James Mayhew	24	chosen
S. A. Thomas	1	
J Whelden Holmes	3	

Constables

Richard Hursell	41	sworn
J. D. Peaks	15	

Richard Hursell declared chosen

Fish Committee

Lot Luce	35	
Benjamin F Smith	35	
Josiah Cleveland	35	

Surveyors of High Ways

Constant C Downs	sworn
Theodore Luce	
M. P. Butler	sworn
Charles H Swift	sworn

Fence Viewers

Obed Nickerson	
James Cottle	
Bartlet Mayhew	sworn

Field Drivers John A. Swain sworn

William Rogers sworn

	Thomas L Norton	sworn
	Asa R Luce	sworn
	Benjamin Cleveland	sworn
Surveyors of Lumber	John F. Robinson	sworn
	John W. Howland	
	Joseph T. James	
	Hervy Weeks	
Surveyor of Wood & Bark	Dennis Luce	sworn
Hog Reeve	John Johnson	
Pound Keepers	Hilyard Norton	sworn
	Thomas Merry	sworn
	J Whelden Holmes	
	David Smith	
Health Committee	R K Jones	
	Wm H Luce	
	Charles Smith	

Voted That the Treasurer of the Town be receiver of Taxes for one and half pr cent

Voted That the fourth article be laid on Table

Voted To chse Overseers of Poor

Overseers of Poor	Charles Smith
	Alfred Norton
	Wm H. Luce.

Voted That the compensation of Overseers of Poor be five dollars per year

Voted To take up fourth article

Voted To raise twelve hundred dollars for support of Schools

Voted To raise three hundred dollars for incidential expences

Voted To raise one thousand dollars for support of Poor

Voted To raise six hundred dollars in addition for Support of Poor

Voted To raise four hundred dollars for repairs of Highways

Voted To raise two thousand dollars to pay Town debt

Voted That the sixth article be rejected

Voted That the seventh article be rejected

Voted That ninth article be rejected

Voted That tenth article be rejected

Voted To discontinue road commencing at Tashmaw hill and terminating at high Woods

Voted To discontinue the road leading from new County Road to the road lading to Middle Town so called

Voted That this meeting be adjourned with day

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
County of Dukes County s s
April 9th 1857

Henry Bradley of Tisbury and said County having been duly elected one of the selectmen of said Town of Tisbury for the currend year personaly appeard and made Solemn oath that he will faithfully perform all the duties of said office according to his best skill and discretion

Before me D. A. Simmons *Justice of the Peac*

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Pursuant to a notice from Richard Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury and uppon his prodicing Venire from the Clerk of the Supream Judicial Court to select as the law requires one good and lawful man to serve as a Travers Juror at the above named Court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and Dukes county on the first Tuesday in May next.

The Selectmen and Town Clerk meet at the House of Henry Manters on the twentieth day of April 1857 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Richard Thomson to serve as Travers Jurror at said Court

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Tisbury April 20th 1857

Then personally appeared Henry Bradley Bartlett Mayhew 2d and Henry Manter and mad Oath to the faithful discharge of Their duty as Assesors of Taxes for the ensuing year before me

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

To Richard L. Hursel Constable of the Toun of Tisbury

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury

qualified as the Constitution requires to vote for Senators and Representitives in General Court to assemble at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on the first day of May next at Ten o clock in the forenoon for the purpose of giving in their votes by ballot for or against three articles, of amendment of the Constitution of this Commonwealth submitted to the People for their approval or rejection approve the eight day of April one Thousand Eight hundred and fifty seven

And You are directed to serve this warrant by posting Attested copies there of at two of the public Meeting Houses in East and West Tisbury seven days at least before the time of holding the afore said

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid

Tisbury April 15 1857

BARTLETT MAYHEW 2D } *Selectmen*
HENRY MANTER } *of Town of Tisbury*

Attest TIM.º B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the Oald Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury May 1st 1857 agreeable to the instruction of Secretary of the Commonwealth then and there they Voted on the Constitutional Amendments as follows

Article first whole number 30	2 yeas
	28 Nays
Article second whole number 30	4 yeas
	26 Nays
Article third whole number 29	5 yeas
	24 Nays

Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

To Richard L. Hursel
Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the said Town of Tisbury qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Old Baptist

Meeting House in West Tisbury in said Town on the first day of May next at twelve O Clock noon to Act on the following Articles (to wit)

Article 1st To choose a Moderator

2d To see if the Town will grant and raise the sum of four hundred dollars more or less for the support and maintainance of public schools in addition to the twelve hundred dollars appropriated at the last anual Town Meeting for said purpose Agreeable to the pitition of Leander West and others

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up Attested coppies thereof at two of the Meeting Houses one in East and West Tisbury fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Said Meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred fifty seven

Bartlett Mayhew 2D } *Selectmen of*
Henry Manter } *Tisbury*

At a legal Meeting held at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury for the purpose of raising School money agreeable to the petition of Leander West and others

1 Chose Henry Bradley Moderator

2d Voted not to raise money in addition

Whole number of Votes 29

Against raising money 16 in favour 13

Meeting Adjournd without day

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Persuant to the Instructions of the within warrant I have notified Inhabitants of the Town Tisbury qualified to Vote in Town affairs, to meet at the time and and for the purposes therein specified

Richard L Hursel
Constable of Town of Tisbury

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Tisbury S.S.

To Richard L Hursel Constable of Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Oold Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on Friday the first day of May next at 1 O clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following Articles

1 To chose a moderator to preside in said meeting

2 To see if the Town will accept of the list of Jurors selected and posted up by the board of the select men according to law

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by Posting up Attested coppies thereof at two of the Public Meeting Houses in the said Town seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this Twentieth day of April in the year one Thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

Henry Bradley *Selectmen*
Henry Manter *of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the Instructions of the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Town affairs to mett at the time and place and for the purposes therein specified

Richard L Hursel
Constable of Town of Tisbury

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting held at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury for the purposes specified in the Warrant

1st chose Henry Bradly Moderator

2d Voted to accept the following names as Jurors

The following is a list of Jurors selected by the board of Selectmen to be accepted or rejected at a legal Town Meeting warned on the first day of May next of that purpose

Tisbury April 20th 1857

Frederick Manter
Alfred Norton
Hiram Nye
Allen Look
James Gray
Obed Nickerson
Charles B. Allen
John D. Rotch
Eliakim Norton
Peleg Barrows
Dennis Luce
Davis Cottle
John F Robinson
Richard G Luce
Jared Vinson
Peter Manter
Shubael Weeks
Thomas Robinson
William C Luce
Bayse Norton
Joseph B. Nickerson
William Norton
John W Howland
Bartlett Pease Jr
Wendell Crocker
Charles D Allen
William Athearn
Josiah H Vincent
Joseph Luce
Timothy Luce
Wendell Luce
Thomas West
Thaddeus Luce
Shubael D Smith
Calvan R. Tilton
Theodore Luce
Richard Thompson
Charles Bradley
Thomas Walrond
John Johnson Jr
Richard L. Hursel
Davis Look
Walter Hillman
Edmond Cottle
Charles Lambert
Isaac L Vincent
Timothy B. Lovell
Charles G Smith
David Smith
Abraham Anthony
Thomas Barrows
John W Athearn
Henry Bradley
Benjamin Merry
Charles M Luce
Charles Holmes
Henry Manter
Edward Harding
Lenard Luce
Stephen Luce Jr
Bartlett Mayhew 2d

Attest
TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Toun Clerk

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury and uppon his producing a venire from the Clerk of Court of Common Pleas the Selectmen assembled at Henry Manters on the fifteenth day of May 1857 and drew from the Juror Box six good and

Lawful men as the Law directs to serve as Grand Jurors and five of like qualifications to serve as Travers Jurors at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes County on the last Monday of May inst

The following are the names of Jurors drawn

Grand Jurors	Travers Jurors
Thomas Robinson	Leonard Luce
Edward Harding	Stephen Luce Jr
Dennis Luce	Edmond Cottle
Allen Look	Charles M Luce
Charles D Allen	Obed Nickerson
Benjamin Merry	

Attest

TIMOTHY B LOVELL *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursell Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes county Greeting: —

You are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury on Monday the first of June next at ten oclock in the forenoon to act on the following articles

1st To chose a Moderator to preside at Said meeting

2d To see if the Town will raise the sum of five hundred dollars or more in addition to the sum of twelve hundred dollars appriated at the Anual Meeting, for the support of Public schools in said Tisbury, and authorise the Treasure to hire the same on the credit of the Town agreeable to the Petition of John A Swain and nine others legal Votes

You are hereby directed to notify and Warn the inhabitants of said Town by posting up attested copies on two of the Public Meeting Houses in said Town fourteen days at least before holding Said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of your doings on this warrant to the Town Clerk at the time and place of the Meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of May in the year of one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

HENRY BRADLEY *Selectmen of*
HENRY MANTER *Tisbury*

Pursuant of the within Warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury to meet at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West

Tisbury by posting up two attested copies according as the law directs agreeable to the within warrant

June 1st 1857

RICHARD L. HURSEL
Constable of Tisbury

At a legal Meeting held at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury for the purpose of raising school money agreeable to the petition of John A. Swain and others

1st chose Edmond Cottle Moderator

2d Voted to raise five hundred dollars in addition to the twelve hundred dollars raised at the anual Meeting

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

To Richard L Hursel

Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury in Said Town on Wednesday July 1st at 2 Oclock P. M. to act on the following articles (to wit)

Article 1st To chose a Moderator

2d To See if the Town will reconsider a vote taken at the last Town Meeting for the purpose of raising the sum of five hundred dollars for the further support of town schools the present year agreeable to the petition of Washing Adams and others

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the Meeting Houses one in east and one in West Tisbury fourteen days at least before the time of holding Said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting afore Said.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred fifty seven

HENRY BRADLEY
HENRY MANTER
BARTLETT MAYHEW
Selectmen of Tisbury

Pursuant of the within Warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury at two Oclock P. M. to see if the Town will reconsider a vote taken at the last Town Meeting agreeable with the petition

And I have warned the Inhabitants by posting up attested copies one in east an one in West Tisbury according to Law.

RICHARD L. HURSEL
counstable of the Town Tisbury

Tisbury July 1st 1857

At a legal Meeting held at the Old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury for the purpose of reconsidering the vote of the last Town Meeting agreeable to the Petition of Washing Adams and others

1st Chose William S. Vincent as Moderator to preside over said Meeting

2d Voted to reconsider the vote of last meeting

3d Voted to adjourn without day

Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

To Richard L. Hursel
Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the old Baptist Meeting House in West Tisbury in said Town on the Seventeenth day of August next at two oclock in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit

Article 1s To Chose a Moderator

2d To see if the Town will except a private way layed out by the Selectmen in the Town of Tisbury on the thirty first day of July 1857 begining at Nortons Landing so called and terminating at the Indian Lands near Lamberts Cove

3d To see what action the Town will take in regard to County Buildings, agreeable to the petition of James Gray and others

And you are directed to serve this warrant by putting up attested Coppies at three of the Meeting Houses in Tisbury seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this six day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen of Tisbury*
HENRY MANTER }

Pursuant of the within Warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury to meet at the Old Baptist Meeting House in west Tisbury Aug,, 17th 1857 agreeable to the within warrant

RICHARD L. HURSEL
Constable of Tisbury

Attest

TIMOTHY B. LOVELL *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place appointed for the purpose specified in the warrant and acted on the following articles

1st Made choice of Charles Bradley as moderator whole number of Votes 17 Charles Bradley had 10 Charles Smith 4 Walter Hillman 3

2d Chose Joseph B. Nickerson Clerk Pro tem whole number votes 7 J. B. Nickerson 6 Charles Bradley 1

3d Acted uppon seccond article in the warrant

Voted that the privet way be accepted as laid out by the Selectmen divided the House stood 17 for 12 against

Third to se what action the Town will take in regard to County Buildings Voted that Thomas Bradley be Agent and James Gray be assistent agent to act in relation to County Buildings and having Tisbury to be made the shire Town

Attest J. B. NICKERSON
Clerk Pro tem

Attest TIMOTHY B. LOVELL
Town Clerk

The Selectmen met and drew from the Juror box five good and lawful men to serve as petit Jurors at the Court of Common Please to be holden at Edgartown on the twenteith eight day of September the

names of persons were Henry Bradley David Smith Abraham Anthony Eliakim Norton Bayse Norton

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Sept 8 1857

Persuant to a notice from Richard L. Hursell The Town Clerk and Select Men met at the Selectmens Office and drew two good and Lawful men to serve as Jurors to attend the United States Circuit Court to be holden at Boston on the 20th and 27th October 1857 for which purpose John W. Howland was drawn Grand Juror Timothy B. Lovell was drawn Petit Juror

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Oct 7th 1857

To the Honourable Senate and House of Representatives of Mass chusetts, in General Court assembled:

The undersigned, legal voters of the town of Tisbury, respectfully represent, that under the existing laws the public buildings and Courts of the County of Dukes County are in Edgartown, at the extreme end of the County, causing great inconvenience to the largest portion of the inhabitants of the County, and that the County buildings now standing in Edgartown, have become old and very unsuitable; new buildings must soon be erected, and the cost of changing the shiretown will be no additional expense to the county.

Your petitioners further represent, that Tisbury is the center town of the three towns comprising the County, and that a far greater, portion of the inhabitants of the County, and others having business in the Courts and with the records of the County, would have easier access them if the County buildings were placed in Tisbury.

In view of the above statement of facts, your petitioners respectfully but earnestly request that an Act of your body may be passed making Tisbury the shire town of the County of Dukes County and that the County building be located and courts at that part of Tisbury called Holmes Hole,

And as in duty bound will ever pray,

Signed Charles Bradley
and three hundred and one others.

Dated Tisbury September 1st 1857

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled:

The undersigned, legal voters in the town of Edgartown, respectfully represent, that under the existing laws the public buildings and Courts of the County of Dukes County are in Edgartown at one extreme end of the County causing great inconvenience to the largest potion of the inhabitants of the County and that the County buildings now standing in Edgartown have become old and are very unsuitable; new buildings must soon be erected and the cost of changing the shire town will be no additional expense to the County,

Your petitioners further represent that Tisbury is the center town of the three towns comprising the County and that a far greater portion of the inhabitants of the County and others having business in the Courts, and with the reccords of the County, would have easier access to them if the County buildings were placed in Tisbury.

In view of the above statements of facts your petitioners respectfully but earnestly request that an Act of your body may be passed making Tisbury the shire town of the County of Dukes County and that the County buildings be located and courts held in that part of Tisbury called Holmes Hole.

And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

Signed Charles Kidder and twenty eight others.

Dated at Edgartown Sept. 1st 1857

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled.

The undersigned legal voters in the town of Chilmark respectfully represent that under the existing law the public buildings and courts of the County of Dukes County are in Edgartown at one extreme end of the County causing great inconveniance to the largest portion of the inhabitants of the county; and that the County buildings now standing in Edgartown, have become old and are very unsuitable; new buildings must soon be erected and the cost of changing the shire town will be no additional expence to the County your petitioners further represent that Tisbury is the center town of the three towns comprising the County and that a far greater portion of the inhabitants of the County and others having business in the courts and with records of the County would have easier access to them if the County buildings were placed in Tisbury.

In view of the above statements of facts your petitioners respectfully but earnestly request that an Act of your body may be passed making Tisbury the Shire town of the County of Dukes County and that the County buildings be located and Courts held at that part of Tisbury called Holmes Hole

And as in duty bound will ever pray.

Signed

David. L. Adams and one hundred others.

Chilmark Sept. 1. 1857

Entered Oct 20, 1857

Attest Timothy B. Lovell *Town Clerk*

To Richard L. Hursell constable of the Town of Tisbury Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of Said Town of Tisbury qualified as the Constitution requires to assemble at the Old Baptist House in West Tisbury on Tuesday the third day of November next at 10 O Clock in the forenoon to give in their votes as follows viz

First, To bring in their votes for Governor Leiut, Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General Attorney General, Auditor of Accounts One Councellor for district No. 8 one Senator for the Island District and one Representative for the County of Dukes County District No 1 to represent us in the next General Court all on one ballot

Seccond To bring in their votes for one County Commissioner from the Town of Chillmark

The Selectmen will be in sesion at their Office on the 31st day of October at 1 Oclock in the afternoon for the purpose of correcting the list of voters

You are hereby directed to Serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies on three of the public Meeting Houses at least fourteen days before Said meeting and make due returns of this warrant to the Selectmen at the time and place of said Meeting.

Given under our hands at Tisbury this nineteenth day of October A. D. 1857

Henry Bradley
Bartlett Mayhew 2D
Henry Manter
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Pursuant of the within I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified as the constitution requires to assemble at the Old Baptist Meeting House at West Tisbury to act on the folowing articles

First To bring in their votes for Governor Lieut Govenor Secretary Treasurer and Receiver General Attorney General Auditor of accounts Councillor for District No 8 one Senator for the Island District and one Representative for District No 1 to represent us in the next General Court all on one ballot

Second to bring in their votes for one County Commishioner for Town of Chilmark

Agreeable to the within warrant

Tisbury Nov 3 1857

RICHARD L. HURSELL

Met at the Old Baptist Meeting House at the time specified in the Warrant the meeting was called to order by Chairman of Selectmen then proseeded to receive ballots for Govenor Lieu Governor Secretary Treasurer and receiver General Attorney General Auditor of accounts one Counciller for District Nº 8 one Senator for the Island District and one Representative for the District Nº 1 all in one box

Whole number of votes for Governor was two hundred and twenty three

Henry J Gardner of Boston	one hundred & thirteen	113
Nathanuel P. Banks of Waltham	forty five	45
Erastus D Beach Springfield	sixty five	65
Lieut Governor		
Alexander De Witt of Oxford	one hundred thirteen	113
Eliphalet Trask of Springfield	forty five	45
Albert Currier Newburyport	sixty five	65
Secretary of Commonwealth		
Benjamin L. Allen of Boston	one hundred & thirteen	113
Jonathan E Field of Stockbridge	sixty five	65
Oliver Warren Northampton	forty five	45
For Attorney General		
John H Clifford of Newbedford	hundred & fifteen	115
Ezra Wilkinson Dedham	sixty three	63
Stephen C Phillips Salem	forty five	45

For Treasurer & Receiver General

Timothy Ingraham New Bedford hundred thirteen	113
Charles Thompson Charlestown sixty five	65
Moses Tenney Jr George Town forty five	45

For Auditor

Chandler R Ransom of Roxbury hundred thirteen	113
Charles White of Worcester forty five	45
Seymore L. Meade Nantucket sixty five	65

For Councillor District No 8

William H. Wood Middleboro forty five	45
Peter H Pierce Middleboro sixty five	65
Amos Bates Hingham hundred & three	103

Senator for Island District

Henry W Rugg Barnstable hundred fifty two	152
Alfred Norton Tisbury forty six	46
Frederick C Sanferd Nantucket thirteen	13
John Morisseey Nantucket one	1

For Representative District Nº 1

Thomas Bradley two hundred and twelve	212
Charles B. Allen eight	8
Walter Hillman eleven	11

County Commissioner for Chilmark

Allen Tilton two hundred and eleven	211
Thomas H Lambert fourteen	14
Smith Mayhew nine	9

Tisbury Nov 3d 1857

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Dukes County s s.

Pursuant to a law of this Commonwealth, the qualified voters of Representative District Number one in their several Meetings the day of November instant for the choice of a Representative in the General Court gave in their votes for the following persons, as follows Viz:

Whole number of votes given in sorted and counted and declared, was six hundred and fourteen 614

Walter Hillman of Tisbury had seventeen votes 17

Thomas Bradley of Tisbury had two hundred and sixty nine votes 269

Charles B. Allen of Tisbury had three hundred twenty eight votes 328

Chilmark Nov 4, 1857

Barnard C Marchant	Edgartown	*Clerks*
James N. Tilton	Chilmark	
Timothy B. Lovell	Tisbury	

Attest Timothy B. Lovell
Town Clerk

Tisbury S. S.

To Richard L Hursel Constable of the toun of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Capawock Hall in said Tisbury on Monday the 29th day of march 1858 at 10 O clock in the forenoon. then and there to act on the following articles.

1st To choose a moderator to preside in said Meeting

2d To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

3d To hear the annual report of the selectmen and other officers and act theron.

4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

5th To determine the manner of repairing the highways. townways, and bridges the year ensuing

6th To see if the town will pay the expences incured in circulateing the petition, (praying the general court to make Tisbury the Shere Town) and also the expence of L F Brigham Esqr for services rendered by speaking before the commissioners court asking them to delay the time of locating the county buildings, agreeable to the petiton of J W. Holmes and ten others

7th To see if the town will vote to sell the priviledg of taking Herrings at the fishery. known by the name of Chapaquonsett creek and appropiate the proceeds of the same for the support of Public schools or any other purpose the Town may determine agreeable to the petition Charles Smith and eleven Orthers.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies therof at thre of the publick Meeting houses in the said town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings theron to the town clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 12th day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight.

Henery Bradley
Bartlett Mayhew 2D } *Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury*
Henery Manter

Pursuant to the within i have notified the inhabitants qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in capawock Hall ther to act on the following articles agreeable to the within warrant

March 29th 1858

Richard L Hursel
counstable of the Town Tisbury

A true copy of warrant with Constables returns theron
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant the warrant was read by the clerk and the ballots called for Moderator

whole number of Votes for Moderator	42
Henery Bradley had	17
Thos Barrows	12
J. W. Holmes	9
Chas Smith	2

Henery Bradley Moderator

Voted

Town Clerk whole number of votes		90
Lot Luce had		87 sworn
Timothy B Lovel	had	1
M P. Butler	had	1
Timothy Luce	had	1

Lot Luce declared chosen and proceded to duty

Selectmen Voted to receive votes for selectmen all on one Ballot

Whole number of Ballots	119	
J. W. Holmes had	86	Sworn
David Smith "	97	Sworn
Henery Cleavland "	76	
Thos Barrows	21	
J D Rotch	18	
Edmund Cottle	11	
Franklin Luce	11	
Alexander Newcoomb	2	
Gilbert Brush	1	
M. P. Butler	1	

Voted to Excuse Henery Cleavland

2d Ballotting whole number of Votes	107	
J D Rotch had	61	Sworn
William Arthearn	8	
Bartlett Mayhew	23	
Franklin Luce	6	
James Mayhew	5	
Thos Barrows	2	
T B Lovell	1	
M P. Butler	1	

Town Treasurer

Whole number Vots	98	
Chas Bradley had	86	Sworn
T. B Lovel	7	
M. P. Butler	1	
J. Holmes. Jr	3	
T. Luce.	1	

Voted that the school committe be chosen seperatly one for three years one for two years and one for one year from the twenty Ninth day of March A D 1858

Votes for first Committee for 3 years

Whole number	95 votes
Daniel A Cleavland	57 votes
M P. Butler	38 votes

Votes for second Committe for 2 years | whole number 89

Edmund Cottle had		71 votes chosen
M. P. Butler had		14
A D Luce		2
Edward Cottle		1
R. L. Hursel		1
Votes for third committee for 1 year	whole number	85 votes
W. H. Luce had		70 votes chosen
M. P. Butler had		14 "
G D Smith "		1 "
Votes for Constables whole number		110 votes
R L. Hursel		71 " sworn
J D Peaks		19
John Holmes Jur		6
W A. Luce		5
Peleg Barrows		2
M P. Butler		4
Gerg Harding		1
James L Luce		1
Joseph Dias		1

Voted to excuse Dniel A Cleavland from serving a school committe for three years

Voted for school committe for three years	whole number	100 votes
M P Butler had		56 chosen
Peleg Barrows		42
J D Peaks		1
Thos Barrows		1
Fish Committe whole number		62
Lot Luce	had	54 sworn
B F Smith	"	52 sworn
Josiah Cleavland	"	51 sworn
Isacc Vincent	"	3
Chas Smith	"	2
Thos Robinson	"	2

Voted to choose the overseers of the poor sepperate from the slectmen

Overseeor	Richard L Hursel	sworn
of Poor	Alfred Norton	Declined to serve
	William H Luce	

Health Committe	Gilbert Brush Chas. Holmes Daniel A Cleavland David Smith Edmund Cottle	Accepted
Surveyors of Highways	Obed Nickerson	Sworn
	Thomas Robinson	sworn
	Seth Luce	sworn
	Timothy B. Lovell	sworn
Field Drivers	Tristram Luce	sworn
	Hylia Norton	
	Samuel Look	
	William Cleavland	
	M. T. Crowell	sworn
	Obed Nickerson	sworn
	Thomas L Norton	
Fence Viewers	James L Luce	sworn
	Constant Norton	
	Bartlett Mayhew	sworn
	James Look	
Surveyors of Lumber	Chas D Allen	
	James D Peaks	
	Alphonso D Smith	
	J. T James	
Surveyor of Wood and bark	Timothy Luce	
Pound Keeper	James D. Peaks	sworn
	Zadock Arthearn	sworn
Sealor of Weights & Measures	Charles Bradley	
Hog Reeves	Icabod Norton	
	Thos Robinson	
	Benjamin Crowell	

Voted that the Treasurer of the town be the collector of Taxes and that he have Two pr cent on all moneys collected.

Voted that Nathan Mayhew of the South West district and Leonard Luce of the North West districts be a Prudential committe in their districts

Voted to indfinitely postpone the 7th article of the warrant

Voted to accept the report of the selectmen

Voted to chose a committe to audet Manul Joseph Accounts against the Town

Voted that the overseeors of the poor be that committe

Voted that this meeting when it does adjourn that it be the second Monday of April

Voted To raise Nineteen hundred dollars for the support of the poor

Voted To raise Two Thousand dollars for Suport of Public schools

Voted to raise Four hundred dollars for incidental expences.

Voted to raise for repairs of Highways three hundred dollars

Voted to raise one hundred dollars in additton

Voted to alow the inhabitants of the Town to work out their highway Tax. and to receive as a compensation one shilling pr hour for their Labor

Voted that the compensation of a horse and cart be one shilling pr hour

Voted that the highway tax be asessed seperately from other Taxes and Warrants delivered to the Several Surveyors of Highways for collection

Voted to pay Gilbert Brushs bill agreeable to 6 Articles of warrant.

Voted to reconsider the vote wherby we voted that when we adjourn it shall be the seccond Monday of April

Voted to adjourn without day

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

March 31, 1858.

Then personaly appeared before me J Whelden Holmes David Smith and John D Rotch and made oath to the faithfull performance of their duty as assessors of taxes the ensueing year in the town of Tisbury

Before me

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

This Certify that Obed Nickerson then appeared before me W A Mayhew Justice of the peace, and mad oath to the faithful discharge of his duties as surveyor of highways for th current year

W. A MAYHEW *Justice of the Peace*

West Tisbury April 2d 1858

a true copy Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then Personaly appeared Charles Bradley and made oath to the faithful performance of his dutys as Treasurer and Collector of taxes the ensuing year

Tisbury April 3. 1858

Before me Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursell Constable of the town of tisbury and upon his producing a venire from the clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court to select as the law requires one good and lawful man to serve as Traverse Juror at the above mentioned Court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and dukes Counties on the ninth Tuesday after the first tuesday of March.

The selectmen and Town Clerk met at the toun Clerks office on the twenty first day of April A D. 1858 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Isac L. Vincent to serve as traverse Juror at said Court

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To Richard L. Hursel

Constable of the Town of Tisbury

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts within three days from the date hereof to summons each of the persons on the list therein named to appear before the Town Clerk within seven days of the Time you shall give such notice and take the Oath of Office by law required.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant and of your doing to me within seven days from the date hereof

Given under my hand

This 31t day of March A D 1858

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Aprl 5,th 1858 Agreeable to the within warrant I have notified the persons therein named to appear and take the oath of office as herein directed

the expence of which

32 in number a/10 cts	3.20
Travel 10 miles	40
	$3.60

Richard L. Hursel *Constable of the Toun Tisbury*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursell Constable of the Town of Tisbury and uppon his produceing a Venire from the Clerk of Court of common pleas the Selectmen and Town Clerk met at the town clerks office on the fourtenth day of May A. D. 1858 and drew from the Juror Box Six good and lawful men as the law directs to serve as Grand Jurors and five of like qualifications to Serve as Traverse Jurors at the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the County of Dukes County on the last Monday of May inst.

The following are the names of Jurors drawn

Grand Jurors	Traverse Jurors
Timothy Luce	Wendal Crocker
Bartlett Pease Jur	Thomas Barrows
John E. Johnson	Jared Vincent
William Arthearn	David Look
William C. Luce	Bartlett Mayhew 2d
Thomas West	

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To the Clerk of the Town of Tisbury

The no of Polls taxable in the Town of Tisbury for the present year and of which you are to make record according to Law is four hundred and fifty Two (452)

Given under our hand this twenty second day of July A. D. 1858

J Whelden Holmes
David Smith
Assessers of Tisbury

A true Copy.

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

The following is a list of persons liable to serve as Jurors during the present year to be laid before the legal voters of the town for their revision and Acceptance. prepared by the selectmen August 11. 1858

Charles B. Allen	Alexander W. Smith
Charles D. Allen	John D. Rotch
Joseph S. Adams	Joseph Luce
Washington Adams	Joseph B. Nickerson
William Arthearn	David Tilton
Benjamin Arthearn 2d	Joseph M. Crowell

Henery Bradley	Rodolphos W. Crocker
Benjamin F Brown	Lorenzo Smith
George F. Baxter	Charles C Look
John F. Robinson	John W Athearn
Shubal D. Smith	Henery Weeks
Charles Holmes	Constant C. Downs
Theodore Luce	William H Davis
Eben Norton	Gilbert Brush
Alphonso Smith	Gustavus L. West

A true copy from the original

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

To Richard L. Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury. you are hereby required in the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified by law to vote at such meetings to assemble at Capawock Hall in said Town on Tuesday the 24 inst at 2 Oclock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects

1st To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

2d To see if the town will accept the list of persons as prepared by the Selectmen to serve as Jurors during the present year

Herof fail not and make due returns of this warrant and of your doings theron at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hand at Tisbury this 13th day of August A D 1858

J. W. Holmes } *Selectmen of Tisbury*
David Smith }

Tisbury August 25th 1858

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified as thein xpressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therin mentioned by posting up attested copies of such warrant at three of the Meeting houses they being public and conspicious places in said Town on the 15th day of August 1858

Richard L. Hursell *constable of the Town of Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specfied in the warrant the meeting called to order by the Town Clerk

J. W Holmes chosen Moderator

Voted to accept the list of persons as prepared by the selectmen to serve as Jurors during the year

Voted to adjourn without day

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

Pursuant to notice from Richard L Hursel and upon his producing a Venire from the clerk of the court of common pleas the selectmen and town clerk met at th town clerks office and drew from the juror Box five good and lawful as the law directs to serve as Petit Jury at the court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes on the 22 Septemb 1858

the following are the names drawn

Eben Norton	Charles P Allen
David Tilton	Benjamin Arthearn
Theodore Luce	

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

To Richard L. Hursell Constable of the Town of Tisbury Greeting — you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the inhabitants of said town qualified as the constitution requires to assembel in cappawock hall in Holmes Hole on Tuesday the seccond day of November next at ten oclock in the forenoon to give in their votes as follows Viz

1st for Governor and Lieut Governor of the Commonwealth Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Attorney General, Auditor of accounts one Representative to the congress of the United States for district No one Councilor for District no. 8.

one Senator for the island District and Representative for the county of Dukes County District no one to Represent them in the next General court of the commonwealth all on one ballot.

2d For Register of deeds. Register of probate and insolvency and county Treasurer for the County of Dukes County and also one county commissioner for the Town of Tisbury on one Ballot

The selectmen will be in session at Capawock Hall on Tuesday the

second day of November next at 9 o clock in the forenoon for the purpose of revising the list of Voters and You are directed to serve this warrant by Posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public places in said town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of October in the year One thousand Hundred and Fifty Eight

J Whelden Holmes *Selectmen of*
David Smith *Tisbury*

Tisbury Nov. 2 1858 Pursuant to the within to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expresed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose therein mentioned by posting up Attested copies of such warrant at three public places in said town on the 15th day of Octo 1858

Richard L Hursel
Constable of the Town of Tisbury

A true copy
Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk of Tisbury

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the Warrant the meeting was called to order by the chairman of Selectmen the warrant was read and proceded to receive Votes for State and county offices

Voted to keep the Polls open untill 2 oclock P. M

At 2 oclock the Polls were closed and public declaration thereof made as follows.

The whole number of Ballots received was One hundred Sixty four 164

For Governer

Erasmus D. Beach of Springfield had Seventy	70
Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham had Forty Nine	49
Amos A. Lawrence of Brooklin had Forty Five	45

For Leut Governor

Whole number of Ballots received was One hundred Sixty four 164

Charles Thompson of Charlestown had Seventy 70

Elipalet Trask of Springfield had Forty Nine 49

Increase Sumner of Great Barrington had Forty five 45

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

The whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred Sixty Four 164

John M. Cole of Williamston had Seventy 70

Oliver Warner of Northampton had Forty Nine 49

Benjamin L. Allen of Boston had Forty Five 45

For Treasurer of this Commonwealth the whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred Sixty Four 164

Silas Peirce of Boston had Seventy 70

Moses Tenny Jr of Georgetown had Forty Nine 49

Alvan G. Underwood of Millford " Forty Five 45

For Auditor

The whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred Sixty four 164

Seymour L Mead of Nantucket had Seventy 70

Charles White of Worcester had Forty Nine 49

Chandeler R. Ransom of Roxbury had Forty Five 45

For Attorney General

the whole number of Ballots received was one hundred Sixty Four 164

Ezra Wilkinson of Dedham had Seventy 70

Stephen H Phillips of Salem Forty Nine 49

Andrew A. Richmond of Adams Forty Five 45

For Representative to Congress District No 1

was One Hundred Twelve 112

Moses Bates Jr. of Plymouth Twenty Two 22

Thomas D Eliot of New Bedford fifty 50

Samuel Andrews of Tisbury Forty 40

For Councillor District No. 8.

the whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred fifty Nine 159

Franklin Ames of North Bridgewater had 48

John Pierce of Edgartown twenty two 22

James L. Luce of Tisbury Forty three 43

Daniel A Cleavland of Tisbury had forty six 46

For Senator for the island District
the whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred Fifty Nine 159
Sylvester Bourne of Falmouth had one hundred fifteen 115
Icahabod N. Luce of Edgartown Forty three 43
Chas B Allen had One 1
For Representative to General Court District No 1
th whole number of Ballots received was One hundred Seventy Six 176
J. W. Holmes of Tisbury had Sixty two 62
Walter Hillman of Tisbury Nineteen 19
Alexander Newcomb of Tisbury Ninty five 95
County Officers
For Treasurer
The whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred fifty three 153
B. C. Merchant of Edgartown had one hundred thirty seven 137
David Davis of Edgartown had Sixteen 16
For Register of Deeds
the whole number of Ballots received was One Hundred fifty six 156
Josiah H Smith of Edgartown had 156
For County Commissioner
the whole number of Ballots received was One hundred fifty eight 158
Edwin A. Luce of Tisbury had one hundred thirty 130
William S. Vincent of Tisbury had twenty Seven 27
Sanford Vincent had one 1
For Register of Probate and insolvency
the whole number of Ballots received was one Hundred thirty 130
Hebron Vincent of Edgartown had Sixty Seven 67
Benjamin Worth of Edgartown had Sixty three 63

At a legal meeting of the freeholders and others inhabitants of Representative District number one in the county of Dukes County qualified to Vote in elections Assembled in their several meetings on Tuesday the seccond day of November in the year 1858 At 10 O clock A M and gave in their Votes for a Representative and the same being sorted counted and declared in open meetings as by law required and was as follows.

For Representative to the General court for District Number one.

the whole number of Ballots received was four hundred and thirty nine 439

Alexander Newcomb of Tisbury had one hundred Sixty seven 167

Walter Hillman of Tisbury had eighty one 81

Joseph Whelden Holmes of Tisbury had one hundred Ninety One 191

B. C Marchant } *Clerk of Edgartown*
Lot Luce } *Clerk of Tisbury*
James N Tilton } *Clerk of Chilmark*

The clerks of the several towns Met at the house of Moses Adams in Chilmark November 3d 1858

A true copy of their doings

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Novem 5th/58.

To the Gentlemen Selectmen of Tisbury

We the undersigned Freeholders of Tisbury pettition that you will grant us liberty to set Wares called a pound in the vicinity of Lambert's Cove for the purpose of catching Fish for the term of Five years

Edmund Luce
Arvin Luce
Seth Luce
Bartlett Pease Jr
John Look
Leonard Luce
David Butler
Edmund Cottle
Joseph Luce

Entered on the records this thirteenth day of December A. D. 1858.

A true copy from the Original

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Dukes County s.s.

We the subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury at a meeting this day holden for that purpose have licensed and do hereby license Edmund Luce Arvin Luce Seth Luce Bartlett Pease Jr. John Look.

Leonard Luce David Butler Edmund Cottle and Joseph Luce as a body Corporate to construct and maintain a set of fish wiers or a pound so called in the waters of Lamberts Cove for the term of five years. Said pound to be built in the immediate vicinity of the Store house or Building now standing on the shore of said cove and not to extend into the waters of the aforementioned Cove more than three hundred yards from the Shore.

Tisbury December 13th 1858

J. Whelden Holmes
David Smith

Entered on the Reccords this thirtenth day of December A. D. 1858
A true copy from the Original License
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel a constable of the town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Tisbury qualified to vote in town affairs by law to assemble at the Dukes County Academy in said town on Monday the 28th day of March A. D. 1859 at 10 oclock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to wit

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2d To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year

3d To hear the annual report of the select men and other officers and act theron

4th To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintainance and support of schools. and the poor and the repairs of roads and bridges and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year

5th To see what action the town will take in regard to meeting the expense of making the road recently laid out by the County Commissioners in the town of Tisbury

6th To see if the town will vote to alter the line between the N. E. school district and the Lamberts Cove district so as to set off the land of Thaddeus Luce from the former and annex the same to the latter school district according to the petition of Thaddeus Luce and others

7th To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road on the south side of Thos. Bradleys factory in West Tisbury

8th To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to purchase

or hire a house for the use of the town paupers according to the petition of Presbury Norton & others

9th To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of highway taxes the ensuing year and to act on any other business that may legally come before the meeting And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public places in said town fourteen days at least before the day of said meeting

Hereoff fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting

Given under our hands at Tisbury this 9th March A. D. 1859

John D Rotch } *Select Men of*
David Smith } *Tisbury*

Tisbury Mar 28th 1859

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose therein mentioned by posting up attesting copies of such warrant in three public and conspicuous places in said town on the twelvth day of March 1859

Richard L Hursel
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy of warrant with constables returns thereon
Attest *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant The warrant was read by the clerk and ballots called for Moderator

whole number of votes for moderator		16
John D. Rotch	(chosen)	11
James Mayhew		3
Henry Bradley		1
John		1
Votes for Town Clerk Whole no —		36
Wm B Mayhew (chosen) sworn		19
Lot Luce		17

Wm B. Mayhew declared chosen and proceeded to duty

Voted that the select men be chosen all on one ballot

Votes for Select Men whole no		42
David Smith	Chosen & sworn	39
John D Rotch	Chosen & sworn	39
Lot Luce	Chosen & sworn	20

Thos. Barrows 7
Alfred Norton Jr 7
Franklin Luce 4
Washington Adams 3
J. W. Holmes 1
Votes for Treasurer Whole No 41
Chas. Bradley (Chosen) (sworn) 24
Chas. Smith 17
Voted that we receive the choice of the rest of town officers and take up the report of the Sclect Men
Report of the Select Men was then read
Voted that the Report of the sclectmen be accepted
Votes for one School committee to serve three years Whole No 46
Danl. A Cleveland (chosen) 46
Votes for Constable Whole no 56
Richard L. Hursel (chosen & sworn 27
Jas. D. Peaks 20
Job H. Gorham 9
Votes for Fish Committee Whole No 34
Chas. Smith (chosen) sworn 19
Chas. Swift (chosen) 17
Lot Luce 16
Thos. Bradley 16
Wm. P. Bodfish 14
Wm. F. Smith 10
Chas. Bradley 3
Henry Bradley 2
Isaac Vincent 1
Votes for Fish Committee second ballot whole no 46
Lot Luce (chosen) 25
Wm. P. Bodfish 16
B. F Smith 3
Allen Look 1
Edward Luce 1
Voted that the Report of the Overseers of the Poor be read
Report of the Overseers of the Poor read and accepted
Overseers of the Poor Chas Smith sworn
James Look
Peleg Barrows

Health Committee
Daniel A. Cleveland
John Homes
Tim^{o} C. Luce
David Smith
Wm H. Luce

Voted that the choosing of surveyers of highways be postponed until after the money for the repairs of highways be raised

Voted that if any one present have demands against the town that they present them

Voted to reject Mr Swain's bill for support of town pauper

Voted to accept Capt Downs bill for amount of money expended on road $12.

Voted to accept assessors bill for reassessing taxes $27 $\frac{00}{100}$

Field drivers
Wm Norton
Tristram Luce (sworn)
Thos L Norton (sworn)
Theadore Luce
Benj Cleveland (sworn)
Allen Look

Fence Viewers
Edmund Cottle
James Mayhew (sworn)
W^{m} S Vincent (sworn)

Surveyers of Lumber
Joseph T. James
Hervey Weeks (sworn)
John F. Robinson (sworn)

Surveyer of Wood & Bark
Chas Smith (sworn)

Pound Keepers
Zadoc Athearn (sworn)
Hillyard Norton

Sealer of Weights & Measures
Chas Bradley

Hog Reeves W^{m} M Smith
Bernard Luce (sworn)
Chas M. Luce

Prudential Committee for Lamberts Cove District
Seth Luce
Prudential committee for North East District
Alfred Norton Jr
Prudential committee for South District
Joseph B. Nickerson
Voted to raise $1200. for Support of schools
Voted to raise $300. additional for support of schools
Voted to raise $1900. for Support of the poor
Voted to raise $500. for Incidental charges
Voted to raise $2577. towards paying Town debt
Voted to raise $400 for repairs of Roads & Bridges
Voted to raise $1628 to pay for the new road
Voted that the Treasurer be empowered to hire the money to pay demands for new road as they become due
Surveyers of Highway
Obid Nickerson (sworn)
Chas. Smith (sworn)
Voted that the money appropriated for the Highways be assessed and paid into the treasury the same as other taxes
Voted that the surveyers be instructed to hire a man to work on the road with a team when necessary
Voted that the pay of men working on the road shall be 12 cents pr hour
Voted that the office of collector of taxes be put up at auction and that the collector be required to pay into the treasury the money assessed in eaqual quarterly payments collected or uncollected except such as the assessors will remit
Office of Collector of taxes was then bid off at $2^3/_4$ pr cent by Washington Adams (Sworn)
Voted that the line between the North East school District and the Lamberts Cove school District be altered (See Warrant sec 6
Voted that the seventh article in the warrant relative to the road south of Thos. Bradley's factory in West Tisbury be indeffinitely postponed
Voted that the Eighth article in the warrant relative to providing house for the poor be indeffinitily postponed
Voted to Adjourn

Attest Wm. B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

Then personally appeared before me David Smith John D. Rotch and Lot Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of their duty as select Men of the town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

March 28″/59

Then personally appeared before me Richard L. Hursel and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Constable of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

March 28″/59

Then personally appeared before me Thos. L Norton and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Field driver of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year before me

Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

March 28″/59

Then personally appeared before me Zadoc Athearn and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Pound keeper of the town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

March 28/59

Then personally appeared before me Obed Nickerson and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as surveyer of highways of the town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

March 28/59

To Richard L Hursel
Constable of the Town of Tisbury

The following is a list of persons who were this day chosen into office at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury and of whom an oath is required by law and the offices to which they were respectively chosen Viz

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts within three days from the date hereof to summon each of the persons herein named to appear before the town Clerk within seven days of the time you shall give such notice and take the oath of office by Law required

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and of your doings thereon to me within seven days from the date hereof

Given under my hand this twenty eighth day of March A. D. 1859

Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk of Tisbury

Tisbury April 1st 1859

Agreeable to the within warrant I have notified the persons therein named to appear and take the oath of office as herein directed

Richard L Hersel
Constable of Tisbury

24 Officers 10 cents each	2.40
Travel 14 miles 4c	56
	$2.96

Dukes County S. S. April 1st 1859

Then Charles Bradley who had been chosen Town treasurer for the town of Tisbury for the ensueing year appeared and made oath to the faithful performance of the duty said office requires

Before me Bartlett Allen
Justice of the Peace

A true copy
Attest Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk of Tisbury

Dukes Co ss Apr 1/59

Then appeared Tristram Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Field driver the ensuing year

Before me Bartlett Allen
Justice of Peace

Copy Attest
Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

Dukes County S. S. Apr 1/59

Then personally appeared before me Wm M. Smith Bernard Luce & Chas. M. Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of their duty as hog Reeves of the town of Tisbury for the ensuing year before me

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

Then personally appeared before me John F. Robinson and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as surveyer of lumber of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

April 2d 1859

Then personally appeared before me James Mayhew and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Fence Viewer of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year before me

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

April 4th 1859

Then personally appeared before me Hervey Weeks and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Surveyer of Lumber of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

April 4 1859

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Bristol ss,,

Seal To the Sheriffs of our several Counties or their Deputies Greeting

We command you to attach the goods or estate of the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County to the value of three hundred dollars and summon the Said defendants (if they may be found in your precinct) to appear before our Justice of our Court of Common Pleas next to be holden at Edgartown within and for said county of Dukes County on the Last Monday of May next then and there in Said Court to answer unto John A. Swain of Tisbury aforesaid in an action of contract and the Plaintiff says the Deft owe him the sum of Seventy five dollars and Fifty five cents according to the account hereto annexed to the damage of the said Pltf as he says the sum of Three Hundred dollars which Shall then and there be made to appear with other due

damage and have you then this Writ with your doings therein Witness Edward Mellen Esqr at Taunton the fifth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Fifty nine

JOHN S. BRAYTON *Clerk*

Tisbury Apr 15th 1859

A True Copy

Attest JONATHAN LUCE
Deputy Sheriff

A true copy
Attest Wm B MAYHEW
Town Clerk

Inhabitants of Tisbury
To John A Swain Dr

1	To board & care Delphronia Luce from May 6. 1858 to Apr 3d 59 @ $1.50 pr week	$70.50
2	Cash paid for Clothing for her	5.05
		$75.55

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol ss To the Inhabitants of Tisbury within the county of Dukes County Greeting

We command you that you appear at the next court of common pleas to be holden at Edgartown within and for our county of Dukes county aforesaid on the Last Monday in May next then and there to answer to John A. Swain of Tisbury aforsaid in an action of contract which action the said Plaintiff has commenced against you to be heard and tried at the said court and your goods or estates are attached to the value of Three Hundred dollars for security to satisfy the judgment which the said Plaintiff may recover upon the aforsaid trial — Fail not of appearance at your peril —

Witness Edward Mellen Esqr at Taunton the Fifth day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty nine

JOHN S. BRAYTON *Clerk*

From the office of L F. Brigham

A True copy
Attest Wm B MAYHEW
Town Clerk

Then personally appeared before me Charles Smith and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Surveyer of Highway of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

Before me Wm A. Mayhew
Justice of Peace

Apr 6/59
Copy Attest Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

Dukes County S.S. March 29/59
Then Benjamin Cleveland made oath faithfully to perforn the duty of Field driver
The ensuing year Before me
Bartlett Allen
Justice of Peace

Copy Attest Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

April 6/59
Then personally appeared before me Charles Smith and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Surveyer of Wood & Bark of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year
Before me Wm A. Mayhew
Justice of Pease

Copy Attest
Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

Then personally appeared before me Charles Smith and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Overseer of the Poor of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year before me
Wm A Mayhew
Justice of Peace

Apr 6 " 1859
Copy Attest Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

Then personally appeared before me Wm S. Vincent and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Fence Viewer of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

Before me Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk

April 6th 1859

April 6 1859

Then personally appeared before me Charles Smith and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Fish Committee of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

Before me
Wm A. Mayhew
Justice of Peace

Copy Attest
Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hersel constable of Tisbury and upon his producing a venire from the Clerk of the Supreme judicial court to select as the law requires one good and lawful man to serve as Traverse Juror at the above mentioned court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the counties of Barnstable and Dukes counties on the

The Select men and Town Clerk met at the select mens office on the Twenty third day of April A. D. 1859 and drew from the Juror box the name of Joseph N. Crowell to serve as Traverse Juror at said court

Attest Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

To Richard L. Hursel constable of the Town of Tisbury in Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury. qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Dukes County Academy in West Tisbury on Monday the Ninth day of May next at Ten o'clock in the forenoon To vote on the following article of amendment to the constitution of this State to wit no person of foreign birth shall be entitled to vote or shall be eligable to office unless he shall have resided within the jurisdiction of the United States for two years subsequent to his naturalization and shall be otherwise qualified according to the constitution and Laws of this commonwealth Provided that this amendment

shall not effect the rights which any person of foreign birth possessed at the time of the adoption thereof and provided farther that it shall not effect the rights of any child of a citizen of the United States born during the temporary absence of the parent therefrom The form of said ballot shall be as follows

Amendment to the constitution Yes or No Hereof fail not and make returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforsaid Given under our hands and seal At Tisbury this thirtieth day of april A. D. 1859

DAVID SMITH } *Selectmen of*
LOT LUCE } *Tisbury*

A true copy attest

W^{M} B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Tisbury May 9th 1859

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Said Town of Tisbury qualified as herein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose herein mentioned by posting up attested copies of such warrant at three public and conspicuous places in said Town on the 30th day of April A. D. 1859

Expense		RICHARD L. HURSEL
6 Pages 12½	.75	*Constable of Tisbury*
Travel 7 m	28	
	$1.03	

A true copy W^{M} B. MAYHEW
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant The warrant was read by the select men and Polls declared open

Vote on the amendment to the constitution

Whole no of ballots	16
Yes	9
No	7

Voted to Adjourn W^{M} B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursel constable of Tisbury and upon his producing a Venire from the clerk of the court of common

Pleas The selectmen met at their office on the sixteenth day of May and drew from the juror box the following names to serve as Grand Jurors at the court of Common Pleas to be holden at Edgartown on the last monday of May next

Alphonso Smith	Hervey Weeks
Wm Athearn	John D. Rotch
Alexander W Smith	Constant C. Downs

And Five of like qualification to serve as Traverse Jurors at the aforsaid Court

Chas. Holmes	Joseph B. Nickerson
Joseph S. Adams	Charles C Look

John W. Athearn

The select men met at their office and drew from the juror box the name of George F. Baxter to serve as grand juror at the District Court to be holden at Boston on the Twenty eight day of June 1859

Also the name of Benjamin F. Brown as Petit jurer at Said Court

Tisbury June 10th 1859

Select men JOHN D ROTCH
of Tisbury DAVID SMITH

To Richard L Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury

In the name of the commonwealth of Tisbury you are hereby required to notify and warn the persons qualified to vote at such meetings to assemble at the Dukes County Academy in Said town on Monday the Eighth day of August next at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles

First To choose a moderator to govern said Meeting

Second To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Select Men

Fail not to make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting

Given under our hands this 21st day of July A. D. 1859

DAVID SMITH } *Select Men*
LOT LUCE } *of Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest WM B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified the Inhabitants by posting up three copies of the within warrant

Tisbury Aug 8/59

RICH.D L. HURSEL
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy
Attest W.M B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant
Warrant read by the Town Clerk & John D. Rotch chosen Moderator
Voted to accept the list of jurors prepared by the Select Men
Voted to adjourn

W.M B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

The following is a list of persons liable to serve as Jurors prepared by the Select Men and accepted at Town Meeting Aug 8/59

Lorenzo Smith	Joseph Luce
W.m H. Davis	David Smith
Gilbert Brush	Gustavus L West
Washing Adams	Shubael D. Smith
Allen Look	Rodolphus Crocker
W.m B. Mayhew	J. Whelden Holmes
Nathan Mayhew	Lot Luce
Alexander Newcomb	Chas. Dillingham
Peleg Barrows	Obed Nickerson
Arnold Crowell	James Mayhew
Franklin Grey	Timothy Luce
John F. Robinson	Thomas Robinson
David Tilton	Henry Bradley
John C. Cannon	John Holmes Jr
James L. Luce	Foster H. Jenkins

Tisbury July 21/59

DAVID SMITH
JOHN D. ROTCH
LOT LUCE
} *Select Men of Tisbury*

a true copy
Attest W.M B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

The Select Men and Town Clerk Met at the Select Mens office on the 8th day of Sep 1859 and drew from the juror box the following names to serve as Traverse Jurors at the Superior Court to be holden at Edgartown on the last Monday in

At 2 o'clock P. M.

Joseph Luce
David Smith
Gustavus L. West
R W. Crocker
Lorenzo Smith

Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified as the constitution requires to assemble at the Dukes County Academy in West Tisbury on Tuesday the Eighth day of Nov next at Ten o clock in the forenoon to give in their votes as follows Viz

1st For Govornor and Lieut Govornor of this commonwealth, Secratary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of Accounts, Attorney General, Councillor for Dist. No Eight, – One Senator for the Island District One Representative for the County of Dukes County Dist No 1 to represent them in the next General Court of this Commonwealth and a Dist Attorney for the Southern Dist of this Commonwealth All on one ballot

2d For Sheriff Commissioner of Insolvency One County Commissioner from the Town of Edgartown, and Two Special Commissioners for the County of Dukes All on one ballot And you are diected to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public places in said Town Seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereof to the select Men at the time and place of Meeting aforsaid

Given under our hands at Tisbury this Twenty Eighth day of October in the year One Thousand Eight hundred and fifty-nine

David Smith } *Select Men*
Lot Luce } *of Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified as herein expressed to assemble at the time and place for the purposes herein mentioned by posting up three attested copies of such warrant at three public and conspicuous places in said Town on the Twenty-ninth day of Oct. 1859

RICHARD L HURSEL
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy
Attest W^M B. MAYHEW *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place specified in warrant The Warrant was read and poles declared open

Voted that the Polls be kept open until Three o'clock P. M.

At $3^3/_4$ oclock P. M. Voted that the Polls be closed Public declaration made of votes as follows viz

For Govornor

Whole Number of ballots One Hundred and seventy	
Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham Thirty Seven	37
Benj F Butler of Lowell Eighty four	84
George N. Briggs of Pittsfield Forty nine	49

For Lieut Govornor Whole No One hundred and seventy

Eliphalet Trask of Springfield Thirty seven	37
S. C. Bemis of Springfield Eighty four	84
Increase Sumner of Barrington Forty nine	49

For Sec^ty of State

Whole no of ballots One Hundred and seventy	170
Oliver Warner of North Hampton Thirty Seven	37
Saml W. Bowerman of Adams Eighty four	84
Benjamin L. Allen Boston Forty-nine	49

For Treasurer & Receiver General

Whole Number of ballots One Hundred and Seventy	170
Mosses Tenny of Georgetown Thirty seven	37
George Dennett of Boston Eighty four	84
Charles Kimball of Ipswich Forty nine	49

For Auditor of Accounts

Whole Number of ballots One Hundred and seventy	170
Charles White of Worcester Thirty seven	37
James E. Easterbrook Worcester Eighty four	84
James W. Sever of Boston Forty Nine	49

For Attorney General

Whole number of ballots One Hundred and Seventy	170
D. H. Mason of Dedham Eighty four	84
Stephen H. Phillips of Salem Thirty seven	37
Henry Morris of Forty nine	49

Counciller for Dist No 8 —

Whole no of ballots One Hundred	100
C. F. Swift of Yarmouth Thirty five	35
Thomas Robinson of Tisbury Forty four	44
Obed Swain of Nantucket Twenty-one	21

For District Attorney for the Southern District

Whole number of ballots One Hundred and fifty four	154
Edwin L Barney of New Bedford Forty four	44
George Marston of Barnstable One Hundred and ten	110

For Senator for Island District

Whole number of ballots One Hundred and twenty five	125
Ichabod N Luce of Edgartown Thirty three	33
Daniel Cleveland of Tisbury Sixty six	66
Walter Hillman of Tisbury Twenty six	26

For Representative for Dist No 1

Whole number of ballots One Hundred and seventy four	174
Samuel Osborn of Edgartown Fourteen	14
Alexander Newcomb of Tisbury One Hundred and Forty three	143
John H. Pease of Edgartown Sixteen	16
J. W. Holmes of Tisbury One	1

For Sheriff

Whole number of ballots One Hundred and fifty six	156
Isiah D. Pease of Edgartown One Hundred and forty three	143
James L Barrows of Edgartown Thirteen	13

For county Commissioner

Whole No of ballots One Hundred and forty seven	147
Benjamin Davis of Edgartown One Hundred and Eleven	111
Abram Osborn of Edgartown Thirty three	33
Joseph V. Kelly of Edgartown Two	2
Samuel Osborn of Edgartown One	1

For Two Special Commissioners for Dukes County

Whole number of ballots Two Hundred and Eighty seven	287
Job Gorham of Tisbury Thirty one	31

Smith Mayhew of Chilmark Thirty one	31
Austin Smith of Chilmark Eighty seven	87
John W. Mayhew of Chilmark Twenty six	26
Benj Luce of Edgartown Twenty two	22
Tristram Cleveland of Edgartown Eighty five	85
Benj Manter of Chilmark Two	2
Jon^{a} Luce of Tisbury Two	2
C. C. Downs of Tisbury One	1

For Commissioner of Insolvency

Whole number of ballots One Hundred and twenty nine	129
Theadore G. Mayhew of Edgartown Ninety one	91
Charles Smith of Tisbury Twenty three	23
David Davis of Edgartown Fifteen	15

At seven oclock and forty five minutes P. M. Voted to adjourn without day

Wm B. Mayhew
Town Clerk of Tisbury

At a legal meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Representative District No 1. in the County of Dukes County qualified to vote in elections assembled in their several Meetings on Tuesday the eighth day of November in the year 1859 at Ten o clock A. M. and gave in their votes for a Representative to the General Court and the same being sorted, counted, recorded and declared in said open Meeting as by law required were as follows

The whole number of ballots given in for said Representative was Five Hundred and twenty three 523

And were for the following persons viz

Alexander Newcomb of Tisbury had Two Hundred and Ninety four	294
Samuel Osborn of Edgartown had One Hundred and Seventy	170
John H. Pease of Edgartown had Fifty nine	59

Dated at Chilmark Nov 9,, 1859

Bernard C. Marchant *Town Clerk of Edgartown*
Wm B. Mayhew " " *Tisbury*
James N. Tilton " " *Chilmark*

A true Copy Attest W^{m} B Mayhew
Town Clerk of Tisbury

The Select Men of Tisbury Met at their office on Thursday Nov 23 1859 and drew from the Jury Box the names of Gilbert Brush and Timothy Luce to serve as Traverse Jurors at the Supreme Judicial Court of this Commonwealth to be holden at Barnstable within and for said County of Barnstable and for Dukes County on Tuesday the Sixth day of December next

Tisbury Nov 23d 1859

David Smith } *Selectmen of*
John D Rotch } *Tisbury*

A true Copy

Attest Wm B. Mayhew *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

To Richard L Hursel a constable of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify an warn the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified by law to Vote in town affairs to assemble at the Capawock hall in said Town on Monday the twenty Sixth day of March in the year of our lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty at 9 oclock in the fornoon to act on the following articls to Wit

Article 1st to choose a moderator to preside in said meeting

2d To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year

3d To hear the anual report of the Selectmen and other officers and act thereon

Article 4th To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintainance and support of schools and the poor and the repairs of roads and Bridges and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year

Article 5th To see if the town will appoint a committe to advise and recommend the best measure for supporting the poor of said town agreeable to the petition of Charles Smith and others

6th To act on any other business that may legaly come before said meeting And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up Attested Copies therof at two or more public places in said Town fourteen days at least before the day of said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings theron to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting

Given under our hands at Tisbury this 9th day of March A D 1860

David Smith } *Selectmen*
Lot Luce } *of Tisbury*

Tisbury March 26 1860

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therin expresed to assembled at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant by posting up three Attested Copies of such warrant at three public places in said town on the 9th day of March 1860

RICHARD L HURSELL
Constable of Tisbury

A true Copy Attest
LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant

Moderator	whole number votes	13
	Charles Smith had	13 chosen
Town Clerk	whole number of Votes	27
	Lot Luce had	25 chosen (sworn
	Lot Luce declared chosen qualified and proceeded to duty	
Selectmen	Whole number of Votes	68
	J. W Holmes had	68 declined
	Henry Bradley	61 chosen (sworn
	William B Mayhew	68 chosen (sworn
2 Balloting	whole number of Ballots	58
	David Smith had	44 chosen sworn
	Thaddeus Luce	5
	Matthew P. Butler	1
	Edmund Cottle	2
	Charles Smith	1
	Timothy Luce	1

Voted to accept the report of the Selectmen

Town Treasurer	whole number of Ballots		71
	Charles Bradley had	68 chosen sworn	
	Peleg Barrows	1	
	David Tilton	1	
	Chas Smith	1	
School Committe for 3 years	whole number of Ballots		73
	Edmund Cottle had	64 chosen	
	Leonard Luce	9	

Constable	Whole number Votes	62	
	Richard L Hursel had	42	Sworn
	James D Peaks "	11	
	Caleb R Lambert "	1	
	John Holmes Jr	2	
	Dennis Luce	1	
	Joseph S Adams	2	
	John Robinson	1	

Voted to adjourn until 1 oclock P M

Met at 1 o clock

Fish	whole number	60	
Committee	Lot Luce had	33	chosen sworn
	E. T T. Smith	15	
	B F Smith	5	
	F Smith	1	

Voted two aditional fish Committe whole numb. 27

B F Smith	22	chosen
Isaac Vincent	15	chosen
Alexander Smith	9	
Scattering	2	

Voted that the compensation of the fish committe be 5 dollars pr annum

Health Committe
John Holmes Jr
Doct George T Hough
James D Peaks
Thaddeus Luce
Doct W. H. Luce

Voted that there be three surveyors of Highways

Voted Edward T. T. Smith	sworn
Theodore Luce	sworn
Seth Luce	sworn

Voted to Choose five field drivers

George M. Peaks	chosen	sworn
Thomas Cathcart	chosen	
William Norton	chosen	
Thomas L Norton	chosen	(sworn
Tristram Luce	chosen	sworn

Fence Viewers	John Johnson	chosen	
	Dennis Luce	chosen	sworn
	Tristram Luce	chosen	(sworn)

Pound keepers	Timothy B Lovell	chosen
	Hilyard Norton	chosen (sworn

Voted to have two surveyors of lumber

Samuel N. Pease

Richard L. Hursell (sworn)

Surveyors of Timber	John C Cannon	chosen (sworn
Surveyor Wood & Bark	Gilbert Brush	chosen
	James D. Peaks	chosen (sworn)
Sealer of Weights & Measures	Lot Luce	chosen (sworn)
Hog Reeves	Jared W. Crowell	chosen (sworn
	Joseph Dias	chosen (sworn
	George T Hough	
	Albert West	chosen
	Henry C Wade	chosen
Overseeors of the Poor	Matthew P. Butler	chosen
	Eliakim Norton	chosen
	Theodore Luce	chosen

Voted that the overseeors report their doings to this meeting

Voted to accept the report of the overseers of the poor

Voted that the board of overseeors of the poor be the committe to advise and reconend the best course for supporting the poor

Voted To raise 2000 dollars for support schools

Voted To raise 1800 dollars for support of the Poor

Voted To raise 400 dollars for repars of Highways

Voted that the money raised for repairs of Highways be assessed the same as other Taxes

Voted reconsider the vote of raising 400 dollars for highways

Voted That a discount be made of 6 pr cent for the prompt payment of Taxes for the first Ninety days after which the collector be instructed to issue a summons on all delinquents for which he will charge 20 cents in addition to the Tax on each and every summons isued by him. and the delinqunts shall pay the addition of 20 cents on his tax and all the Taxes shall be collected and paid into the Treasury at times as the assesors may determine and the final payment to be made by the first day of January A D. 1861

Voted To raise 1000 dollars to pay interest and Town Debt.

Voted that the collector of Taxes be paid 1 pr cent commission on the collection of Tax Bill

Voted To reconsider the vote of 1 pr cent for the collection of Taxes

Voted to sell the colection of Taxes to the lowest bidder The collection of Taxes sold to Wendal Crocker at 1½ per cent

Voted that Wendel Crocker be collector of Taxes for the ensuing year

Voted to adjourn without day

Then personaly appeared before me Tristram Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Fence Viewer and Field driver of the Town of Tisbury for the ensuing year

before me

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

March 28th 1860

To Richard L. Hursel

Constable of the Town of Tisbury In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required within three days from date hereof to summons each of the persons herein named to appear before the Town Clerk within seven days of the time you shall give such notice and take the oath of Office by law required

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to me within seven days from the date hereof

Given under my hand this twenty Seventh day of March 1860

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Take oath) Health Comitte

John Holms Jur	
George T. Hough	
James D Peaks	
Thaddeus Luce	
Doct W H Luce	
M. P Butler	overseers of Poor
Eliakim Norton	
Theodore Luce	
John C Cannon	Surveyor of Timber
Samuel N Pease	" " Lumber
Timothy B Lovell	Pound Keeper
William Norton	Field driver

Gilbert Brush	Surveyor Wood & Bark
Thomas Cathcart	Field Driver
Tristram Luce	" "
Tristram Luce	Fence Viewer
John Johnson	" "
B F Smith	Fish Committe
Isac Vincent	" "

March 29 1860

Agreeable to the within warrant I have notified the persons therein named to appear and take the oath of office as herein directed

RICHARD L HURSEL
Constable of Tisbury

Fees	21	.10	2.10
Travel	17.m	4cts	68
			2.78

Then personaly appeared before me William Norton and made oath to the faithfull performance of his duty as field Driver the ensuing year before me

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

March 30th 1860

Then personaly appeared before me Gilbert Brush and made oath to the faithfull performance of his duty as surveyor of Wood & Bark the ensuing year before me

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

March 31 1860

Then personaly appeared before me George T Hough and made oath to the faithful performance of His duty as health Committee of the town of Tisbury for the ensueing Year before me

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

March 30 1860

Then personaly appeared before me John Holmes Jr and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as health committe of the town of Tisbury for the ensueing year before me

LOT LUCE

April 2 1860 *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Matthew P. Butler and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as overseeors of the poor of the town of Tisbury for the ensuing year before me

April 2 1860 LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Eliakim Norton and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as overseeors of the poor of the town of Tisbury the ensuing year before me

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

April 2 1860

Then personaly appeared before me B F Smith and mad oath to the performance of his duty as Fish committe for the ensuing year before me

March 31 1860 LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

The personaly appeared before me Isac Vincent and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Fish committe the ensuing year before me

March 31 1860 LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me James D. Peaks and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Health Committe of the town of Tisbury the ensuing year

April 1st 1860. LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

To Richard L. Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitant of the said town of tisbury qualified by law to Vote in town affairs to assemble at Capawock Hall in said town on Monday the 16th day of april at 10 oclock A. M. to act on the following Articles to Wit

1st To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

2d To see if the town will accept of a Town way laid out by the selectmen agreeable to the petition of Gilbert Brush and others

3d To see if the town will allow W. H Davis the privilege of constructing a gutter or waste way across or under the Town way for the purpose of watering his cattle. He making the same and rendering it safe for Travel at his own expense.

And you are required to serve this warrant by posting up attested Copies Thereof at three public places in said Tisbury seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid togeather with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands at Tisbury This seventh day of April A. D. 1860

Henry Bradley
David Smith
W B Mayhew
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

April 16 1860

pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place therein mentioned by posting up attested Copies in three conspicuous places in said town on the ninth day of April 1861

Richard L Hursel
Constable of Tisbury

A true Copy from the original with Constables returns thereon
Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant Meeting called to order by the town Clerk

Charles Bradley chosen Moderator

Voted That the doings of the selectmen be read to the meeting

Voted To accept the town way as laid out by the Selectmen

Voted To grant the pettition of W^{m} H Davis to construct a water course under a town way providing he will keep it in repair so that it will not Obstruct or endanger the Travell across said way

Voted To Adjourn without day

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursel constable of Tisbury and upon his produceing a Venire from the clerk of The Superior court for Dukes County May Term 1860

The Selectmen and Town Clerk met at the Town Clerks office on the Twelfth day of April A D 1860 and drew from the Juror Box the following names. to serve as Grand Jurors at The Superior Court for Dukes County May Term 1860 to be holden at Edgartown on Tuesday the second day of the Term at two oclock in the afternoon of said day

Grand Jurors

Thomas Robinson
Shubal D Smith
Washington Adams
William H Davis
David Tilton
Nathan Mayhew

And five of like qualification to serve at said court as Travers Jurors

John C Cannon
Foster H Jenkins
John Holmes Jr
Obed Nickerson
Alexander Newcomb

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to notice from Richard L Hursel constable of Tisbury and upon his producing a Venire from the Clerk of the supreme Judicial court to select as the law requires one good and lawfull man to serve as Traverse Juror at the above mentioned Court to be holden at Barnstable and Dukes Counties on the first Tuesday of May A D 1860

The selectmen and Town Clerk met at the capawock Hall on the Sixteenth day of April 1860 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Allen Look to serve as Traverse Juror to serve at said court.

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss Tisbury April 30. 1860

Then personaly appeared before me this day Henry Bradley Wm B. Mayhew and David Smith and made oath to the faithful performance of their duties as Assessors of the Town of Tisbury the ensueing year

William C. Luce
Justice of Peace

A True Copy
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts. you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Tisbury qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet in the capawock Hall on Monday the seventh day of May next at one Oclock in the afternoon, for the purpose of giving in their votes by Ballot for or against the two following articles of Amendment of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

First Article of Amendment.

Any vacancy in the senate shall be filled by Election (upon the order of a majority of senators Elected) By the people of the unrepsented district.

Second Article of Amendment in case of a vacancy in the counsil from failure of Election or other cause the Senate and House of Representative shall, by concurrent Vote choose som Eligible person from the people of the district wherein such vacancy to fill that office.

If such vacancy shall happen when the Legislature is not in session the Governor with the advice and consent of the counsil may fill the same by appointment of some Elegible person

Each one of said Articles is to be considered as a distinct Amendment to be adopted or rejected in the whole; — and every person qualified as aforesaid to Vote may express his opinion on each article as designated by its appropiate number without Specifying in his Ballot the contents of the article and by anexing to each number the word Yes or No: — but the whole must be written or printed on one ballot, in substance as follows

Amendment Article first Yes or No

Amendment Article Second yes or No

And you are required to serve this Warrant by posting up Attested Copies therof at three public places in said Tisbury Seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant to the Selectmen at the time and place of Meeting aforsaid together with your doings thereon

Given under our hands this Twenty seventh day of Aprill in the Year 1860

Henry Bradley *selectmen*
David Smith *of Tisbury*

a true copy Attest

Lot Luce
Town Clerk of Tisbury

Tisbury May 7. 1860

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified as thein expressed to Assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therin mentioned by posting three attested copies of such warrant at three public and conspicous places in said town on the 28th of april 1860

RICHARD L HURSEL

a true copy from the Original

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the warrant read by Chairman of Selectmen and proceed to receive Votes

at 3 oclock in the afternoon the polls were Closed the Votes sorted counted and public declaration of them made in open town meeting and were as follows.

First Article of Amendment Yes Five

Second Article of Amendment Yes Five

Meeting closed at 1/2 past 3 oclock A M

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

To Richard L. Hursell one of the Constables of the town of Tisbury Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in town affairs to assemble in the Capawock Hall on monday the Fourth day of June next at 10 O Clock in the forenoon to act in the following Article To Wit

1st To Chose a moderator to preside at said meeting

2d To see if the town will adopt any measures to prevent the Transportation of Cattle into the town

And you are requested to serve this warrant with your doings theron by posting up Attested Copies thereof at three public places seven days at least before the time of Holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid togeather with your doings theron.

Given under our hands at Tisbury this twenty fourth day of May in the year 1860

HENRY BRADLEY *Selectmen*
DAVID SMITH *of Tisbury*

Tisbury June 4th 1860

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town qualified as therein expressed to assembel at the time and place and for the purpose therin mentioned by posting up attested copies of such warrant in three public places in said town on the 25th day of May 1860

RICHARD L HURSEL *constable of Tisbury*

a True copy Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and warrant was read by the town Clerk and Henry Bradley chosen Moderator.)

The Following resolutions was presented by John Holmes Jr to the meeting

Wereas a disease called Pleuro Pneumonia of a highly contageous character is unhapily prevalent amongst the cattle in different portions of the commonwealth and threatens to extend itself widely to the emminent peril to the farmer in the loss of valuable stock Justly exciting fears that, unless promt energetic and united efforts are used, it may reach our own shores Therefore. Resolved, that it is the bounden duty which every good citizen owes to himself and to this community so far as in him lies to use all means in his power to prevent the importation of neat cattle from abroad during the such disease shall continue to prevail around us

Resolved. that for the purpose of preventing if possible the introduction and spread of said disease among the cattle of this town the inhabitants of Tisbury in legal town Meeting Assembled, Constitute authorise and appoint, as their agents the Board of Selectmen of said Tisbury with full powers to exercise and use for this object such authority as may now legaly belong to the town or may be invested therein, by laws passed or to be passed at the extra session of the legislature now specialy convened for the purpose of taking measures to prevent the spread of the cattle distemper

Resolved that said agents be authorised to consult with such agent or committe as may be appointed by the other Towns in this County, and to agree upon and make such regulations and arangments as may by them in the exercise of their best wisdom and discretion be deemed necessary; the same not being repugnent to the laws of this commonwealth

Voted.) To accept those Resolutions

Voted) to adjourn without day

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

List of Jurors prepared by the selectmen to be Laid before the Town for their revision & acceptance

Washington Adams	R W. Crocker
Arnold Crowell	Allen Look
James L Luce	J Whelden Holmes
Chas Dillingham	Joseph Luce
Franklin Grey	Henry Bradley
Peleg Barraws	David Smith
Gilbert Brush	John F Robinson
Nathan Mayhew	W B Mayhew
W H Davis	Gustavus L West
James Mayhew	John C Cannon
Horace L Athearn	Thos Robinson
David Tilton	Lorenzo Smith
Alexander Newcomb	Lot Luce
Shubael D Smith	Timothy Luce
Obed Nickerson	Foster H Jenkins
Henry Manter	Wendal Crocker
Charles Holmes	Charles Bradley
James M Taber	Richd W Coffin
W P Bodfish	Chas M Luce
Theodore Luce	Timothy B Lovell
Alphonso Smith	Thaddeus Luce
Alfred Norton Jr	Isaac L Vincent
John G Chace	Job. H Gorham
Joseph T James	Chas D Allen

June 19 1860

A true Copy

Attest Lot Luce

Town Clerk

Tisbury ss.

To Richard L Hursell Constable of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs to meet at Cappawock Hall in said Tisbury on Monday the thirtieth day of July 1860 at 10 oclock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following Articles.

1st To chose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

2d To see if the town will revise and accept the list of Jurors submitted by the board of Selectmen

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested Copies therof at three of the public Meeting houses in sd town Seven days at least before the time of said meeting Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings theron to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforsaid

Given under our hands this Twentieth day of July A. D. 1860

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen of*
DAVID SMITH } *Tisbury*

Tisbury July 30 1860

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said town Tisbury qualified as therin expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therin mentioned by posting up Attested Copies at three public and Conspicuous places in said town on the 23d day of July 1860

RICHARD L. HURSELL
Constable of Tisbury

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant warrant was read by the Town Clerk and proceded to Chose a Moderator Charles Smith Chosen Moderator

Voted to erase the name of John Holms Jr. from the list of Jurors and add the name of Horace L. Athearn

Voted to accept the list of Jurors as revised by the meeting

Voted to adjourn

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursel a constable of the Town of Tisbury and upon his produce a Venire from the clerk of Superior court for Dukes County September term.

The selectmen met at the Town Clerks office on the day of Septemb A D 1860 and drew from the Jury Box the following names to serve as Traverse Jurors at the Superior Court to be holden at Edgartown on Tuesday the second day of the term at 2 oclock in the afternoon.

Charles Bradley
Charles D Allen
Charles M. Luce
Franklin Grey
Alfred Norton Jr

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel a Constable of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to Notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Tisbury qualified by law to Vote in town affairs to assemble at Capawock Hall in said Town on Monday the first day of October next at 10 oclock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles to Wit:

First to choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Second To see if the town will accept and allow the road widened by the Selectmen agreeable to the petition Walter Hillman & others for the purpose of Erecting a Bridge across the Brook

You are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town by posting up Attested Copies at three public places at least seven days before said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of September A D 1860

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen of*
DAVID SMITH } *Tisbury*

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose Specified in the warrant warrant was read and Votes taken for Moderator

Whole number of Votes was Six

Bartlett Allen had	5 Chosen
Rodolphos Crocker	1

Voted to accept the road as widened By the selectmen and reported

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel Constable of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified as the Constitution requires to assemble at the Cappawock Hall in said Town on Tuesday the sixth day of November next at 10 o clock in the forenoon to Give in their Votes for Electors for President and Vice President of the United States.

Representative in Congress from District No. 1.

Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth, Councillor of District No 8,,

Secretary Treasurer and Receiver General Attorney General,, Auditor of Accounts One Senator to the General Court from the Island District,, One Representative to the General Court from District No 1

Also one county Commissioner from the Town of Chilmark All on one Ballot.

The Selectmen will be in Session at the place and day of said meeting at 9 O clock in the forenoon for the purpose of correcting the List of Voters

And you are required to serve this warrant by posting up Attested Copies thereof at Three public places in said town fourteen days at least before said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this twentieth day of October, One Thousand Eight hundred Sixty

HENRY BRADLEY *Selectmen*
DAVID SMITH *of Tisbury*

a true Copy Attest

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Tisbury November 6th 1860

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of Said Town of Tisbury qualified as therin expressed to Assemble at the time and place and for the purpose therin mentioned by posting up Attested Copies of such warrant at three public and conspicuous places in said Town on the Twentieth day. of October 1860

RICHARD L. HURSEL *Constable of Tisbury*

Met at the time and place specified in the warrant. The warrant was read and Polls declared open. at 10 oclock in the forenoon The polls were closed at 2 oclock the Votes were sorted counted and publicly declared and were as follows

For Electors at Large

George Morey of Boston had One hundred thirteen

Reuben A Chapman of Springfield had one hundred thirteen

Levi Lincoln of Worcester had Thirty

Marshall P. Wilder of Dorchester had Thirty

Chester W. Chapin of Springfield Thirteen

Eben Sutton of South Danvers Thirteen

Isaac Davis of Worcester had Fifty Two

Charles Heeburt of Lee had Fifty Two

Elector For District No 1 one

S. B. Phiney of Barnstable had Thirteen	13
Joseph Grinnell of New Bedford had Thirty	30
Alexander Baxter of Yarmouth Fifty Two	52
Alfred Macy Nantucket One hundred thirteen	113

Elector for District No Two

Benjamin Hobart of Abington had Thirty	30
Benjamin G. Chace of Somerset had Fifty Two	52
James H Mitchel had	113
P. W Leland of Fall River had Thirteen	13

Elector for District No Three

Henry S Mansfield of Blackstone had Thirty	30
H A. Aldrich of Mendon had Fifty two	52
John M Forbes Milton had one hundred thirteen	113
Roswell Gleason of Dorchester had Thirteen	13

Elector For District No. Four

Sanford M. Hunt of Roxbury had Thirty	30
William J Reynolds of Roxbury had Fifty two	52
Charles B Hall Boston one hundred thirteen	113
B. F. Halett of Boston had Thirteen	13

Elector For District No Five

J. Thomas Stevenson of Boston Thirty	30
K. S. Chaffee of Cambridge had Fifty two	52
Peleg W Chandler Boston one hundred thirteen	113
George W. Parmenter of Boston had thirteen	13

Elector For District No Six

Nathaniel Silsbee of Salem had Thirty	30
George Upton of Salem had Fifty two	52
John G. Whittier Amesbury had One hundred thirteen	113
Henry Durant of Lynn had Thirteen	13

Elector For District No Seven

N. G. White of Lawrence had Thirty	30
George W. Dyke of Stoneham Fifty two	52
Gerry W. Cochrane Methuen one hundred thirteen	113
Richard Frothingham Jr. of Charlestown Thirteen	13

Elector For District No Eight

D S. Richardson of Lowell Thirty	30
Ambrose Sloper of Natick Fifty two	52
John Nesmith Lowell one hundred thirteen	113
Peter Haggerty of Lowell Thirteen	13

Elector For District No Nine

John G. Thurston of Lancaster Thirty	30
Levi Baker of Worcester Fifty two	52
Amasa Walker N Brookfield One hundred thirteen	113
John Spurr of Charleston Thirteen	13

Elector For District No Ten

Osmyn Baker of Northampton Thirty	30
Stephen C. Bemis of Springfield Fifty two	52
Charles Field Athol one hundred thirteen	113
Wells Lothrop of South Hadley Thirteen	13

Elector For District No. Eleven

William G. Bates of Westfield Thirty	30
Phineas Allen of Pittsfield Fifty two	52
Charles Mattoon Greenfield One hundred thirteen	113
Reuben Noble of Westfield Thirteen	13

For Governor

Amos A Lawrence of Brookline Thirty	30
E. D. Beach of Springfield Fifty Two	52
John A. Andrews of Boston one hundred fourteen	114
Benjamin F Butler of Lowell Thirteen	13

For Lieutenant Governor

George Marston of Barnstable Thirty	30
Charles Thompson of Charlestown Fifty two	52
John Z Goodrich of Stockbridge one hundred thirteen	113
David N Carpenter of Greenfield Thirteen	13

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Thomas Parsons of Brookline Thirty	30
Samuel W Bowerman of Pitsfield Fifty two	52
Oliver Warner of Northampton one hundred thirteen	113
W H Comstock of Middleboro Thirteen	13

For Treasurer

Samuel A Elliot of Cambridge Thirty	30
Silas Pierce of Boston Fifty two	52
Henry K. Oliver of Lawrence one hundred thirteen	113
George Dennett of Boston Thirteen	13

For Auditor

J Henry Hill of Worcester Thirty	30
James E Easterbrook of Worcester Fifty two	52
Levi Reed of Abington one hundred thirteen	113
J W. M of Fitchburg Thirteen	13

For Attorney General

Henry Morris of Springfield Thirty	30
Samuel O Lamb of Greenfield Fifty two	52
Dwight Foster of Worcester one hundred thirteen	113
G W. Warren of Charlestown Thirteen	13

For Councillor Eighth District

Thomas Robinson of Tisbury Eighty One	81
Eleazer C Sherman of Plymouth one hundred thirteen	113
Peter H Pierce of Middleboro Thirteen	13
Henry Bradley One	1

For Senator Island District

Elijah Swift of Falmouth Ninety three	93
Charles Dillingham of Sandwich one hundred thirteen	113
Thomas B Field of Nantucket One	1

For Representative to Congress District No one

Daniel Fisher of Edgartown Eighty Three	83
Thomas D. Eliot of New Bedford one hundred thirteen	113
Frederick C Sanford of Nantucket Twelve	12

For Representative to General Court

Edgar Marchant of Edgartown Eighty One	81
Allen Tilton of chilmark one hundred thirteen	113
Daniel Flanders of Chilmark Twelve	12
John W Mayhew One	1

For County Commissioner

Thomas H Lambert of Chilmark one Hundred thirty two	132
James N Tilton of Chilmark Sixty	60
Herman Vincent of Chilmark Fourteen	14

Voted to close the Polls at 2 oclock A M

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk,*

At a meeting of the clerks of the several Towns in District number one in the county of Dukes County. Assembled for the purpose of ascertaining who was elected Representative to the General Court for said District find that the whole number of Votes given in at the several meetings in said District on the Sixth day of November A. D. 1860 for a Representative

Was five Hundred Eighty One	581
For Edgar Marchant of Edgartown two Hundred fifty two Votes	252
Allen Tilton of Chilmark two Hundred Eighty three Votes	283
Daniel Flanders of Chilmark forty five Votes	45
John W. Mayhew of Chilmark one Vote	1

B C Marchant *Clerk of Edgartown*
Lot Luce *Clerk of Tisbury*
James N Tilton *Clerk of Chilmark*

Chilmark Nov 7 1860

A true copy Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel a Constable of the town of Tisbury in the county of dukes County. Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Tisbury qualified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to assemble at the agricultural Hall in said Town on Monday the first day of April next at 10 oclock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to Wit — 1st To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

2d To Choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

3d To hear the report of the selectmen

4th To see if the Town will raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintainance and Support of Schools, the poor, repairs and Bridges and to defray all other town charges for the ensueing year.

5th To see what means the town will take in regard to the support of Lavina Rogers agreeable to the petition of Charles Smith and others.

You are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town by posting up Attested Copies at three public at least fourteen days before said Meeting.

Herof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings theron to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands this Eighteenth day of March A. D. 1861

HENRY BRADLEY *Selectmen of*
DAVID SMITH *Tisbury*

Tisbury April 1st 1861

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therin expresed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose therin mentioned by posting up Attested copies of such warrant at three public and conspicious places in said Town on the 20th day of March 1861

RICHARD L HURSEL
Constable of the Town of Tisbury

A True Copy
Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant warrant read by the Town clerk and proceded to vote for Moderator.

Whole number of votes Twenty One

	John D Rotch had Nineteen	19
	Charles Smith had Three	3
Town	Lot Luce had Forty nine	49
Clerk	Charles Smith Four	4

Lot Luce declared chosen qualified and proceded to duty

Voted To take up the third article of the warrant.

Voted To accept the report of the selectmen

Voted To choose a committe of three to Audit and settle with the selectmen and have their report Printed and every family suplied with a copy

Voted To Choose said committe at large

Charles Smith Chosen
William F Durgine chosen
Matthew P. Butler chosen

Voted That the committe be instructed to settle with all the collectors of Taxes that are in arears and report to the next Meeting

Voted To choose the Board of selectmen all on one Ballot

	Whole number of Ballots		104	
sworn	Henry Bradley	had	94	
sworn	David Smith	had	50	
sworn	Wm B Mayhew	had	44	
	Walter Hillman	had	26	
	John D. Rotch	had	25	
	Henry Beetle	had	22	
	Davis Cottle	had	18	
	James Mayhew	had	9	
	Charles Smith	had	2	
	Timothy Luce	had	1	
	Bartlett Mayhew	had	1	

Votes for school committe

	Whole number of Votes		107
	Matthew P. Butler	had	92
	R. W Crocker	had	9
	A. Anthony	had	1
	Scattering		2

Votes for Town Tresurer

	Whole number of Votes		56
	Charles Bradley	had	55 chosen

Votes for constable

	whole number		63
sworn	James L Luce	had	57 chosen
	George N Peaks		6

Voted to choose two more constables

Votes for Two more constables on one Ballot

	Whole number		45
(sworn)	Matthew Coffin	had	40 chosen
	Joseph B Nickerson		35 chosen

Fish Committe	Whole number of Votes		58
	Lot Luce	had	48 chosen
	B F Smith	had	38 chosen
	Isac Vincent	had	37 chosen
	scattering		21

Voted That the fish committe be instructed to have The fish that is caught at chappaqunsett creek Divided at sunrise and sunset of each day and at no other Time

Health Committe	Nathaniel Ruggles	
	Timothy Luce	
	Charles Smith	
Field Drivers	Asa R Luce	sworn
	William S. Vincent	sworn
	Hyliard Norton	
	Theodore Luce	
	William Norton	
	Tristram Luce	
Overseers of Poor	Rodolphos W Crocker	
	Richard L Hursel	
	John D Rotch	
Fence Viewers	Josiah H. Vincent	
	Daniel A. Cleavland	
	Tristram Luce	
Pound Keepers	Hilyard Norton	
	Zadoc Athearn	sworn
Surveyor of Lumber	Hervey Weeks	
	Richard L Hursel	
	John W Howland	
Wood and Bark	Joseph T. James	
	Davis Look	sworn
Sealer of Weights & Measures		
	Lot Luce	sworn
Hog Reeves	George T. Hough	
	Frederick W. Wing	

Voted That the selectmen obtain a report from The Liquor Agent and hand it over to the Auditing Committe for the year 1860

Voted That the Liqur agents report be printed at the expense of the Town

Voted To supply each family in the Town with a Copy of Liquor agents Report

Voted To Raise 1500 Dollars for support of schools

Voted To raise $\frac{500}{2000}$ Dollars in addetion for schools

Voted To raise 1800 Dollars for support of the Poor

Voted to raise 450 Dollars for Highways & Bridges

Voted to raise 1500 Dollars for Town Debt

Voted that the Surveyor of Highways shal not have compensation for his servises

Voted That the Surveyor of Highways shall hire a man or men to keep the Roads and Bridges in Repair the ensueing year

Surveyor of Highways

sworn Rodolphos W Crocker chosen

Voted That when this meeting adjourn that it be adjourned to the first Monday of May next.

Voted That a discount of 6 pr cent for The prompt payment of Taxes be allowed for the first Ninety days and a Discount of 3 p cent for 120 days. And the Collector collect all Taxes and pay into the Town Treasurer at such times as the Selectmen may direct. And to make a final Payment by the first day of January A. D. 1862 Collection of Taxes for the year 1861 sold at $^3/_4$ pr cent to Wendal Crocker

Voted that Wendal Crocker be collector of Taxes the ensueing year

qualified in Open Town Meeting

By the Town Clerk

Voted To adjourn this meeting to the first Monday of May next

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To James L. Luce a Constable of the Town of Tisbury

The following is a list of persons who were this day chosen into office at a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury and of which an oath is required by Law and the offices to which they were respectively chosen Viz.

You are hereby required in the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts within Three days from the date hereof to summons each of the person herein named to appear before the Town Clerk within seven days of the time when you shall give such notice and take the oath of Office by law required.

Given under my hand this first day of April A D 1861

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to Notice from James L Luce constable of the town of Tisbury and upon his produceing a Venira from the Clerk of the supreme Judicial Court to select as the law requires one good and lawful man To serve as Traverse Juror at the above mentioned court to be holden at Barnstable within and for the Counties of Barnstable and Dukes

The selectmen and Town Clerk met at the Town Clerks office on the tenth day of April 1861 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Thaddeus Luce to serve as Traverse Juror at said Court

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me and made Oath to the faithful performance his duty as Town Treasurer the ensueing year Charles Bradley

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me James L Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as constable of the Town of Tisbury the Ensueing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Rodolphos W Crocker and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Overseers of the Poor the ensueing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Richard L. Hursel and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Overseers of the Poor the ensuing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Richard L Hursel and made oath to the faithfull performance of his duty as Surveyor of Lumber the ensueing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Rodolphos W Crocker and made oath to the faithfull performance of his duty as Surveyor of Highway the ensuing year LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Tristram Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duties as Fence Viewers and field Driver the ensuing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me and made oath to the faithful of his duty as Pound Keeper and Field Driver Hyliard Norton

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Joseph B Nickerson and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as constable of the Town of Tisbury the Ensueing

WM F DURGIN

Tisbury April 11 1861 *Justice of the Peace*

Met agreable to adjournment at the Agricultural Hall in West Tisbury on the 6th day of may and chose a moderator Protem

Whole number of Ballots five
Wm F Durgine had Five chosen

Wm B Mayhew sent to the chairman of the meeting his resignation as one of the Board of Selectmen

Voted To choose a man to fill the vacancy in the Board of selectmen
whole number of Ballots Six
Bartlet Mayhew 2d had 6 chosen

Daniel A Cleveland chosen an overseor of the Poor

Three constables chosen

sworn R W Crocker had 6 Votes chosen
sworn R L Hursel " 5 " chosen
sworn Gilbert Brush " 7 " chosen

Voted to take up the 5th article of the warrant

Voted that this matter be refered to the overseers of the Poor

Voted to hear the report of the Auditting Committe.

Voted that there report be refered back to them and that they report to the next anual meeting

Voted To adjourn without day

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To the Hon Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury

We the undersigned legal voters of the Town of Tisbury would respectfully request that a town Meeting be called at as Early period as possible to see if the Town will take anny measures for self defence and the procuring of arms and ammunition &c for the use of such Military organizations as may be formed in the Town for the resistance of armed invaders & the defence of the Town

Simeon G. Calhoon	James L Luce
Geo" T Hough	Wm C Luce
W. Crocker	John Holmes
A. Anthony	Lot Luce
Benj D. Crowell	R. W Coffin
James Norton	Geo. H Smith
A J Grey	Samuel Andrews
James D Peakes	Thomas S. Chadwick
Alexander Newcomb	Chas W Peaks
J F Robinson	Joseph Dias

A True Copy from the Original

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To James L Luce one of the Constables of the town of Tisbury
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in town affairs to assemble in the Capawock Hall in said town on Tuesday the seventh day of May next at 2 oclock in the afternoon to act on the following articles. Viz.

1st To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

2d To see if the town will take any measures for self defence and the procuring arms and ammunition &c for the use of such Military organization. as may be formed in the town for the resistance of armed invaders and the defence of the town)

Agreable to the petition Simeon G Calhoon and Twenty others

Pursuant to the above warrant You are hereby required to notify the inhabitants. by posting up attested Copies. at three public places in said Town seven days at least before said meeting

Herof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings theron to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforsaid

Given under our hands this twenty seventh day of April A D 1861

Henry Bradley }
David Smith } *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Tisbury May 7th 1861

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have Notified the inhabitants of said Town of Tisbury qualified as therin expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose therein mentioned by posting up attested Copies of the within warrant at thre of the most public and Conspicuous places in said town on the Twenty Sixth day of April 1861

James L Luce *Constable of Tisbury*

A true copy Attest

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the warrant

Warrant read by the Town Clerk and proceded to Choos a Moderator

Charles Smith chosen Moderator

Voted That a committe of one or more be chosen to confer with the authorities of the state To furnish an armed Guard Coaster to be sta-

tioned on the Vineyard Sound for the Protection of the commerce passing Through it and Furnish the Town of Tisbury with three or more Rifled cannon and 100 Stand of small arms and equipments for the same to be used by the inhabitants of the Town to repel invasion.

Voted That the chairman of the board of Selectmen be the committe to confer with the authorities of the state

Voted To add the committe appointed by the citizens of Holmes Hole village to that committe

Voted That this meeting stand adjourned To one week from next Monday at 2 oclock in the afternoon at the Agricultural Hall in West Tisbury

Met agreeable to adjournment and proceded to chose a moderator pro tem.

Henry Bradley chosen

Voted That the report of the committe be accepted and the committee Discharged from further duty.

Voted. That if we receive arms from the state That one half of them be deposited with The selectman that resides at West Tisbury

Voted That the Town accept the Order for the Gun at greenfield and the Selectmen be instructed to receive it and also to receive other arms which have been asked for.

Voted That the selectmen of Tisbury be a committe authorised to act in concert with the committe of the coast Guard of New Bedford and Vicinity and they shall be authorised to hire a sum of money (if needed) not to exceed 2000 dollars in support of a steamer to ply in Vineyard sound and Buzzards Bay for coast defence.

Voted That those persons who organize themselves into a Military company and bear arms in drill or in defence of the Town of Tisbury shall do so at their own expense and without pay

Voted That Bartlett Mayhew 2d be a selectman To fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William B Mayhew.

Voted That all the metings held in the Town the ensuing year be holden at West Tisbury

Voted To adjourn without day

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

The following is a list of names as selected and prepared by the selectmen as Jurors to be laid before the town for their Acceptance.

Lorenzo Smith	Benjamin Athearn 2d
David Smith	Henry Look

Charles Dillingham
Bartlett Mayhew 2d
Joseph Luce
Timothy Luce
Wendal Crocker
Isaac L. Vincent
Franklin W. Luce
Bartemus Luce
Alfred Clifford
Thomas Waldron
John Manter
Jared Vincent
Josiah H Vincent
Benjamin Clough
Charles G. Smith
Charles Bradley
Charles E Ceavland
John W. Howland
Eben Norton
Peter Manter
Benjamin F Smith
Benjamin D. Crowell
John A Swain
David Tilton
Alexander Newcomb
Constant D Luce
Leonard Luce
Edward T. T. Smith
Samuel N Pease
John E Johnson
Horatio G Norton
George Luce
George Mayhew
David Mayhew
Leonard Luce
Constant C Downs
Alpheus Chace
Davis Cottle
William Athearn
Joseph S Adams
Alexander W. Smith
Samuel Andrews
Benjamin Nye
Joseph M Crowell
James L Smith
William C Luce
Jeremiah K Andrews
Jared W. Crowell
William Cottle
Matthew P Butler
Washington Adams
Leander West
William Norton
William N Grey
Benjamin F Brown
Abraham Anthony

Tisbury July 1st 1861

HENRY BRADLEY *Selectmen*
DAVID SMITH *of*
BARTLETT MAYHEW 2D *Tisbury*

A True Copy
Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Dukes County S.S.

To Either of the constables of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes County. Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in

Town affairs to meet at the Agricultural in said Tisbury on Friday the ninth day of August next at two Oclock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following Articles Viz.

First, To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

2d. To see if the town will accept a List of Jurors as selected and prepared by the Selectmen.

3d. To hear the Report of the Overseeors of the Poor in regard to the support of Lavina Rogers and act Theron.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up Attested Copies therof at three public places in said town Seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings theron to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Thirtieth day of July in the year one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty One

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen*
DAVID SMITH } *of Tisbury*

A true Copy

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Tisbury August 9th 1861

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town qualified as therin expressed to meet at said time and place and for the purposes therein named by posting up Attested Copies of said Warrant in three public places in said town on the Second day of August being seven days before the meeting

GILBERT BRUSH
Constable of Tisbury

a true Copy

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the Warrant

William F Durgine chosen Moderator

James Mayhew chose Clerk pro tem

Voted to accept the list of Jurors

Voted To accept the report of the overseers of the Poor in regard to Lavina Rogers

Voted to instruct the overseers to purchase the property of James Rogers Estate. and secure the same to Gilbert Rogers provided said Gilbert Rogers gives sufficent Bonds to the Town that Lavina Rogers shall not become chargeable to the town of Tisbury

Adjourned without day

JAMES MAYHEW
Town Clerk protem

a True copy of doings of Meeting
LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to notice from Gilbert Brush and upon his produceing a Venire from the clerk of the superior Court to be holden at Edgartown in September in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred Sixty one. The Selectmen and Town clerk met at the town Clerks Office on the 11th day of September 1861 and drew from the Juror Box the names of the following persons to serve as Traverse Jurors at the aforesaid Court

Constant D. Luce
Eben Norton
William Cottle
Matthew P. Butler
James L. Smith

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Dukes County s.s.

To James L Luce a constable of the town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes county. Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts: you are directed to warn and notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Agricultural Hall in said Tisbury on Tuesday the fifth day of November Next at 9 o clock in the forenoon then and there to Act on the following Articles.

1st To chose a moderator to Preside in said meeting.

2d To see if the town will apropiate money for aid of families and parents of Volenteers Enlisted in the servise of the United States agreeable to Chapter 222 of the statues of 1861.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies therof at three public places in said town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this Twenty first day of October in the year one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty one.

HENRY BRADLEY *Selectmen*
DAVID SMITH *of*
BARTLETT MAYHEW 2D *Tisbury*

A true copy Attest
LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Nov 5th 1861

Pursuant to the within to me directed. I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the warrant by posting up attested copies of the Warrant at three of the most conspicuous places in said town on the Twenty first day of October in the year one thousand Eight hundred Sixty One

JAMES L LUCE *Constable of Tisbury*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the warrant Meeting called to Order by the Town Clerk and proceded to Vote for a Moderator

Whole number of Votes for Moderator was nine

J. Whelden Holmes had Eight	8. chosen
Henry Bradley One	1

Voted That the slectmen be authorised to pay out the sums authorized to Volunteers mustered into the United states services. Agreeable to the act Chap 222 1861 of the statues. and the Treasurer be authorized to hire the same.

Voted To adjourn without day

A true Copy of doings of meeting
LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss.

To Gilbert Brush one of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes county Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts. you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections to meet at the Agricultural Hall in said Tisbury on

Tuesday the fifth day of November next it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday of said Month At 10 oclock in the forenoon to bring in their Votes for Governor Lieutenant Governor. Secretary. Treasurer and Receiver General. Attorney General. Auditor of Accounts. one councillor for district N. 8 one Senator for the Island District for one Representative in General court for dukes County District No 1 Clerk of the courts of the county. One County commissioner for the town of Tisbury. County Treasurer and Register of deeds. All one ballot

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested Copies therof at three public places in said town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this Twenty first day of October in the year one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty one.

Henry Bradley	*Selectmen*
David Smith	*of*
Bartlett Mayhew 2d	*Tisbury*

Tisbury Nov 5th 1861

Pursuant to the within warrant To me directed I have notified and the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein Expressed to Assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned by posting up attested Copies of the within Warrant at three of the most conspicuous places in said town on the Twenty first day of October in the year one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty One.

Gilbert Brush *Constable of Tisbury*

A true Copy from the Original Warrant with Constables returns thereon

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place specified in the Warrant meeting Called to order by the chairman of Selectmen Polls declared open at 10 oclock in the forenoon the Polls were closed at 12.5 OClock in the afternoon

The Votes were sorted counted and public declaration therof made and were as follows. Viz. For Governor

Whole number of Votes	Seventy Four	74
John A Andrew of Boston	Fifty Eight	58
Isaac Davis of Wocester had	Sixteen	16

Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of Votes Seventy Five	75
John Nesmith of Lowell Fifty Nine	59
Edwin C Bailey of Boston Sixteen	16

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Whole number of Votes Seventy Three	73
Oliver Warner of Northampton Fifty Nine	59
F. O. Prince of Winchester Fourteen	14

For Attorney General

whole number of Votes Seventy three	73
Dwight Foster of Wocester Fifty Nine	59
Edward Avery of Braintree Fourteen	14

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Whole number of Votes Seventy three	73
Henry K. Oliver of Salem Fifty Nine	59
Emery Sanford of Oxford Fourteen	14

For Auditor of Accounts

Whole number of Votes Seventy three	73
Levi Reed of Abington had Fifty Nine	59
Moses Bates of Plymouth Fourteen	14

For Councellor for Eighth District

Whole number of Votes Sixty one	61
Eleazer Sherman of Plymouth Fifty Nine	59
William F Durgin of Tisbury one	1
William H Lewis of Tisbury one	1

For Sentor from the island district

Whole number Votes Sixty one	
Charles Dillingham of Sandwich Fifty Nine	59
William F Durgine of Tisbury One	1
William H Lewis of Tisbury One	1

For Representative to General Court
From district Number One

Whole number of Votes Sixty Eight	68
Edgar Marchant of Edgartown Sixty Eight	68

For County Commissioner

Whole number of Votes Seventy Five	
Rodolphus W Crocker of Tisbury Twenty Nine	29
Henry Bradley of Tisbury Twenty One	21
Henry Cleavland of Tisbury Twenty One	21
William S Vincent of Tisbury Four	4

For Clerk of the courts

Whole number of Votes Sixty Two	62
Richard L Pease of Edgartown Fifty Four	54
F D Fellows of Edgartown Eight	8

For County Treasurer

Whole number Votes Seventy	70
Barnard C. Marchant had Thirty Seven	37
John D Rotch of Tisbury Thirty three	33

For Register of deeds

Whole number Votes	
Josiah H. Smith of Edgartown Seventy two	72

Voted To close the Polls 5 minutes past 12 o clock A. M.

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

At a meeting of the Clerks of the several towns in district number One, in the county of Dukes County, Assembled for the purpose of ascertaining who was Elected Representative to the General Court for said district find Whole number of Votes given in at the several meetings in said district on the fifth day of November A D. 1861 for a Representative was three hundred and Seventy nine

Edgar Marchant of Edgartown in said county and district had three hundred and Seventy nine the whole number.

Barnard C Marchant *of* } *Edgartown*
Lot Luce *clerk of* } *Tisbury*
Josiah W Tilton *of* } *Chilmark*

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Edgartown and Tisbury held for the transaction of business relative to preambulating the line between said towns the following business was transacted Viz

Henry Bradley was chosen Chairman and W^{m} B Mayhew Secretary

Voted That the spring at Tashmoo East of the wall and near a large Oak Tree where a tub is now sunk be considered the spring named in the law of Feb 5. 1830 as the point from which fifty One rods south a bound stone is to be placed.

The following resolution was offered which was informerly laid on the table that the bound fifty one rods south of Tashmoo Spring Should be determined by running a line due south from said spring and not South Magnetically and that the bound on the mill road should be determined in like manner.

Voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at the Selectmens office in Holmes Hole on the Second Wednesday of January next.

Voted that a bound be procured and placed at the Stepping Stones.

Voted that two additional bound stones be procured and placed as heretofore Ordered.

Voted That Henry Bradley be Authorsed to procure said stones

Voted to adjourn

W^M B Mayhew *Secretary*

On Account of the sickness of one of the board of selectmen of Tisbury and on a notice by the chairman and agreement of the other selectmen of the several towns the meeting was father adjourned to the second Wensday of February.

Second Meeting was called to order by the chairman and Minutes of last meeting read by Secretary

The resolution offered at the last meeting was withdrawn.

The following resolution was offered by Jeremiah Pease and adopted unamimously That Henry L Whiteing Esqr of Tisbury of the U. S. Coast Survey service be employed to determine of the bound fifty one rods south from Tashmoo spring and of the bound on the Mill road south of said first bound: Also to determine the course and distance from the last mentioned bound to the bound on Watcha Neck and the course and distance from the bound at the stepping stones to that next the South of Tashmoo spring marking the point were the line crosses the Holmes Hole road

Voted That the expenses atending upon the above resolution be bourn by the Two Towns Equally.

Voted That the chairman of the board of Selectmen of Tisbury Capt N M Jernegan of Edgartown be a committe to lay before Mr Whiteing all the facts necessary for him to determine the lines between the two Towns

Henry Bradley reported that he had procured the bound stones as instructed at the last meeting

Voted That when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at the store of W^m B Mayhew in West Tisbury on the third Monday in March next.

Voted that the records be approved.

Voted to adjourn

Voted that two additional bound stones be procured and placed as hereafter Ordered

Voted. To adjourn

W^M B Mayhew *Secretary*

3 Meeting

Met pursuant to adjournment Mr Whiteing not having made out his report Adjourned to meet at the store of W^{m} B Mayhew the last Thursday in Marce at 10 oclock A M.

W^{M} B Mayhew *Sec*

4th Meeting

Met pursuant to adjournment Two of the board of Selectmen of Tisbury being absent on account of sickness Voted to adjourn to meet at the selectmens office in Holmes Hole on Saturday March 30th at 9½ oclock A. M.

W^{M} B Mayhew *Secrt*

5th Meeting

Met pursuant to adjournment the report of Mr Whiteing was read and accepted

Voted to Submit the portion herto anexed to the legislature for their action theron.

Voted That the record of the Various Meetings of the board of Selectmen Edgartown and Tisbury, held in refference to preambulating the line between said towns be filed in the Selectmens office in Tisbury and a Copy therof certified to by the chairman and secretary. Be furnished the selectmen of Edgartown.

Voted to adjourn without day

W^{M} B Mayhew *Secretary*

A True Copy from the Original on file at this office
Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Dukes County s.s.

To James L Luce one of the Constables of the Town of tisbury in said county Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Capawock Hall in said town on Monday the seventh day of April next at 10, oclock in the forenoon Then and there to Act on the following articles: —

1st To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

2d To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensueing.

3d To hear the anual report of the Selectmen and other officers and act thereon

4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensueing year and make appropiations of the same.

5th To determine the maner of repairing highways, townways, and bridges the year ensueing

6th To see what action the town will take in regard to a note and Mortgage deed given by Shubal Dunham who has expired.

7th To see what measures the town will take in regard to the support of the poor.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies Therof at three of the public places in said town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings theron to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty first day of March in the year Eighteen hundred Sixty two

HENRY BRADLEY } *Selectmen of*
DAVID SMITH } *Tisbury*

Dukes County ss

Tisbury April 7th 1862

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therin expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose therein mentioned by posting up Attested Copies of the within Warrant at three public and conspicuous places in said town on the Twenty Second day of March 1862

I therefore return this Warrant with my doings thereon to the Town Clerk as within directed

JAMES L LUCE
Constable of Tisbury

A true copy of Warrant with constables returns theron
Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the Warrant.

Warrant was read by the town clerk and proceeded to Vote for Moderator

Votes, for Moderator, whole number was five

R. W Crocker had	4 (chosen)
Chas Bradley had	1

Joseph T James and Lot Luce appointed by the Moderator to check the Poll List

Votes for Town Clerk

(sworn) Lot Luce had	23 chosen
George N Peakes	2

Votes for Treasurer

whole number	59
Charles Bradley had	58 chosen
David Mayhew "	1

School Committe for 3 years

Whole Number of Votes	75
David Mayhew "	41
Daniel A Cleavland	33
James Mayhew	1

Voted to adjourn until 1 o clock P M Met agreeable to adjournment

Voted that we choose three Constables

Votes for Constable

Joseph B. Nickerson had	21 (sworn)
Richard L Hursel	22 (sworn)
James L Luce	22 declined

Selectmen chosen

Matthew P Butler had Seventy Four Votes	74 chosen
Joseph S Adams Seventy Three "	73 chosen
Bartlett Mayhew 2d had Seventy nine "	79 chosen
Lorenzo Smith had four "	4
Edmund Cottle " Eight	8
Hilyard Norton One	1
Edward Harding Two	2
Davis Cottle Two	2

Fish Committee

Lot Luce had Thirty five Votes	35 chosen
B F. Smith " Thirty five "	35 chosen
David Smith " Thirty five "	35

Health Committe
Doct William Leach
" George T Hough
" Wm H Luce
Field Drivers
Tristram Luce (sworn)
Alfred Clifford (sworn)
Matthew Coffin
Hilyard Norton
Zadoc Athearn (sworn)
William Norton
Voted to choose Three overseers of the Poor
R W Crockers
Nathan Mayhew
J. Whelden Holmes
Fence Viewers
Hariff Mayhew
R. W. Crocker
J. A. Swain (sworn)
Pound Keeper
Hilyard Norton
Zadoc Athearn Sworn
Sealer of Weights & measures
Lot Luce
Surveyors of Lumber
J. T. James
Richard L Hursel
Hervey Weeks (sworn)
Surveyor of Wood & Bark
J. W. Howland
Denis Luce

Voted To Choose a prudential Committe for the several school districts in the Town.

Prudential school Committe
John D Rotch for South District
Charles Smith " H Hole "
Edwin A Luce N West "
John Look Lambert's Cove
William Athearn South East district

Voted That there be three Surveyors of Highways chosen and that the selectmen apportion them their districts.

J. W. Howland	chosen
William P Bodfish	chosen
Davis Cottle	chosen.

Voted That the surveyors of Highways shall notify each Tax payer of the time and place of working out his Tax and that the compensation shall be 10 cents pr hour for a man and 12 cts pr hour for a team

Voted To take the report of the selectmen from the table and act theron

Voted To accept the report of the selectmen.

Voted, That the Board of Overseers of the poor be instructed to make inquirey into the condition of Lunatics that are in the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton at the expense of the town and see if there can be any measures taken to support them at home or in the town at Less Expense.

Voted That the board of selectmen be instructed to call up all the Delinquent collectors for settlement and that the selectmen be empowered to remit all Taxes that cannot be legally Collected. and cause a prompt collection on all Taxes that in there judgment Can be collected and a final settlement of the same made with the Collectors.

Voted To Raise 1900 dollars for Support of Schools
1800 " " " " Poor
300 " " Incidental Expences
400 " " Highways & Bridges
500 " Interest Town Debt

Voted That the time on the Mortgage deed of Shubal Dunhams farm be extended for the term of seven years from this date

Voted To appropiate the sum of four thousand nine Hundred dollars for the purpose it was raised for the current year

Voted that the Highway Tax be assesed with the other Taxes of the town

Voted that a discount of 6 pr cent for the Prompt payment of taxes be allowed for the first ninety days and a discount of 3 pr cent for 120 days and if Summons are issued after the 120 days 20 cents shall be charged in addition to the. Tax and the same paid into the Treasurer and the collector collect all Taxes and pay into the Town Treasury at such times as the Selectmen may Direct And a final Payment by the first day of January 1863

Voted to sell the collection of Taxes to the lowest bidder

Sold to W. Crocker & co they being the lowest bidders at $^3/_4$ of one pr cent

W. Crocker & co chosen collector of Taxes the ensueing year

Voted To Support the Poor the same as we did Last year

Voted To Adjourn without day

Attest Lot Luce *Town clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Wendal Crocker & co and made oath to the faithful performance to his duty as Collector of taxes the ensuing year

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then appeared personaly before me Matthew P. Butler and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as a Selectman the ensueing year

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Tristram Luce and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as field driver the ensueing year

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Rodolphos W Crockers and made oath to the faithful performance of his duties as oversor of the poor and field driver the ensueing year

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Richard L Hursel and made Oath to the faithful performance of his duty as surveyor of Lumber the ensueing year

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me J. Whelden Holmes and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Overseor of the Poor

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To Richard L Hursel

a Constable of the Town of Tisbury

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required within three days from date hereof to sumons each of the persons herin named to appear before the town clerk within seven days of

the time you shall give such notice and take the oath of office by law required.

Hereof fail not and make due return therof of this warrant with your doing theron to me within seven days from date hereof

Given under my hand this Eighth day of April A D 1862

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk of Tisbury*

Then personaly appeared before me John A Swain and made oath to the faithful performance of His duty as field driver

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Zadock Athearn and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as pound keeper

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me J T. James and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as surveyor of Lumber

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me John W. Howland and made oath to the faithful performance of his duties as Surveyor of Highways and Measurer of Wood & Bark

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as fish Committe and made oath David Smith

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Bartlett Mayhew 2d and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Selectman the Ensueing Year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Davis Cottle and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Surveyor of highways the ensueing Year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me William Norton and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as field driver the ensueing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Then personaly appeared before me Joseph S. Adams and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as Selectmen the ensueing year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursel a Constable of the Town of Tisbury and upon his producing a Venira from the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial court of this Commonwealth to be holden at Barnstable within and for the countys of Barnstable and Dukes County to select one good and lawfull man to serve as Travers Juror at said court

The Selectmen and Town clerk met at the Town Clerks office on the twenty fourth day of April A D 1862 and drew from the Juror Box the name of Thomas Waldron to serve as Traverse Juror at said court

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Know all men by these present that we Joseph M Crowell Lot Luce and John Merry as sureties are and stand firmly bound to the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury in the sum of Six hundred dollars to be paid unto them their successors or asigns to which payment we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and administrators Jointly and severally Firmly by these presents sealed with our seals, and dated this Eighth day of May A. D. 1862.

The conditions of this Obligation is such that whereas the above bounden Joseph M. Crowell has been duly appointed an Agent for the Town of Tisbury to purchase intoxicating liquors and to sell the same for and on account of said town to be used in the arts or for Mechanical Medical and chemical purposes and no other untill the Eighth day of May A. D. 1863. Unless sooner removed from said Agency.

Now if the said Joseph M Crowell shall in all respects conform to the provisions of Law relateing to the business for which he is appointed and such rules and regulations as now or shall from time to time be established by the board makeing the appointment Then this Obligation to be Void Otherwise to remain in full force

JOSEPH M. CROWELL (seal)

LOT LUCE (")

JOHN MERRY (")

A true copy from the originall on file at this office

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Tisbury June 10th 1862

Then personaly appeared before me Matthew P. Butler Bartlett Mayhew 2d and Joseph S Adams and made Oath to the faithfull performance of their duty as Assesors of the Town of Tisbury the ensuing Year

LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

The selectmen of Tisbury have prepaed the following list of Persons to serve as Jurors. and to be laid before the town for revision and Acceptance

John E Johnson	Wm N. Grey
Bartlett Mayhew 2d	Jeremiah K Andrews
Henry Look	Davis Cottle
Constant D. Luce	Wm Cottle
Alexander Newcomb	George Luce
Eben Norton	Wm Athearn
John W. Howland	Abraham Anthony
Alfred Clifford	Cornelius Clark
Benj Athearn 2d	Joseph Luce
M P Butler	Leonard Luce
Peter Manter	Jos S Adams
Benjamin D Crowell	Samuel N Pease
Benjamin F Brown	Benjamin Nye
Horatio G Norton	William Norton
John Manter	James L Smith
Isaac L Vincent	Bartemus Luce
Franklin W. Luce	Leander West
Jared Vincent	David Mayhew
William C Luce	David Tilton
Benjamin Clough	

To Either of the constables of the town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Capawoc Hall in said Tisbury on Tuesday the 8th day of July next at 2 oclock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following Articles.

1st To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting

2d To see if the town will acept the List of Jurors as prepared by the selectmen

3d To see what the town will do in regard to a reward Claimed by R W Crocker and Others.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public places in the said town seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 27th day of June in the year one thousand Eight hundred Sixty two.

M. P. Butler
Bartlett Mayhew 2d } *Selectmen of Tisbury*
Joseph S. Adams

Pursuant to the above warrant I have posted up attested copies as directed

Attest J B Nickerson
Constable of Tisbury

a true Copy
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warant
Charles Bradley chosen Moderator
Voted To accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the selectmen
Voted To Indefinately postpone the 3d Article of the warrant.
Voted to adjourn without day
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes county

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts. You are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in town affais to meet at Capawock hall in said town on Saturday the 19th Instant at 2 O clock P. M; To act on the following Articles

1st To choose a Moderator.

2d To See if the town will offer a bounty and how much to those who will Volunteer from the town of Tisbury to serve in the Federal Army.

3d To Authorise the Treasurer to hire a sum of money for the purpose of said bounty not exceeding two thousand dollars.

4th To see how much the Town will pay pr month to each Volunteer in adition to regular pay from Goverment.

Agreeable to the petition of Geo. T. Hough and others.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies of this Warrant at two or more public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hand and Seals this tenth day of July One thousand Eight hundred Sixty two.

M. P. Butler | *Selectmen of*
Jos S Adams | *Tisbury*

Met at the time and place the meeting called to order by the town Clerk

Moses Brown chosen Moderator

Voted, To pay a Bounty of 125 dollars To each Volunteer that enlists in the Federal Army. Not to exceed 15 men

Voted, That each and every Volunteer that shall enlist from this town shall receive from the town one dollar per Month for each member of his Family that is dependant on him for their support during enlistment

Voted, That the selectmen be authorised to pay the bounty and stipulated sum pr Month to those who enlist as recruits from the town of Tisbury without regard to their residence or birth place providing they are accepted by the competent authorities

Voted To Adjourn without day

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, You are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections and town affairs to Meet at Capawock Hall in said town of Tisbury Saturday the twenty third Instant at 2 oclock in the afternoon. Then and there to act on the following Articles to Wit.

1st to Choose a Moderator

2d to see how much money the town will offer as a bounty in addition to the $125.00 already appropiated to induce men to Volunteer in the U S. Army

3d To say how it shall be paid and to transact any other buisness

that may come before said meeting on the said subject of Volunteering; Agreeable to the petetion of Bartlett Allen and others thereto anexed.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested Copies Thereof at three of the public places in said Tisbury seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Herof fail not and make due return of this warrant to the town clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this fourteen day of august in the year one thousand Eight hundred Sixty two

M P Butler
Jos S Adams
Bartlett Mayhew 2d
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the within warrant I have posted up attested Copies thereof as directed

Attest J. B. Nickerson
Constable of Tisbury

To the selectmen of Tisbury we the undersigned freeholders of said Tisbury.

Respectfully request that you forthwith call a Town meeting for the following purpose. to Wit.

To see how much money the town will offer as a bounty in addition to the $125 dollars allready appropiated to induce men to Volunteer in the U S Army. To say how it shall be paid and to transact any other business that may come before the said meeting on the said subject of Volunteering

Bartlett Allen
J. F. Robinson
William Leach
Elisha Dexter
Wm C Luce
Geo. T. Hough
R. W. Coffin
Henry Bradley

A true copy of Warrant with Petition and Constables Returns thereon

Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the warrant
Meeting called to order by the Town Clerk
Henry Bradley Chosen Moderator

Voted that there be a committe of three in addition to the selectmen appointed by aclamation to procure enlistments to fill up the Quota from Tisbury who shall have authority to Pay 500, dollars or more if necessary to procure our quota, and the committe shall give the inhabitants of Tisbury untill Wensday the 27th Instant at 12 oclock M to come forward and Volunteer and if the quota is not then full they shall procure them from any other Place And the Committe shall make this their especial business and shall receive a resonable compensation thereofor

Wm F Duregine
R. W. Crocker
Thomas Bradley
} Chosen by Aclamation that Committe

Voted That the bounty be paid to the men that Enlist when they are mustered into the United States Servise

Voted To pay Those men that have previously Enlisted in the United States Army the same amount of bounty that is paid those that enlist to fill up the quota

Voted that if a man Enlists in the town of Tisbury and is rejected by the examening Officers his expences shall be paid by the Town

Voted to adjourn without day

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes county Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury in said County qualified to Vote in elections and town affairs to meet at Cappawock Hall in said town on Monday the first day of September next at 2 oclock P M for the following purposes.

1st To Chose a Moderator

2d To see how much Bounty the town will pay to Volunteers to fill the quota of Tisbury. Under the call of the president for three hundred thousand Men to be drafted from the Militia. to serve nine months in the army of the United States

3d To act on any other business relative to the payment of the aforesaid Bounty pursuant to the petition of Frederic Manter and others.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested

copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said town seven days at least before the time of Holding said Meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty fifth day of august in the Year Eighteen hundred Sixty two

M. P. Butler } *Selectmen of*
Bartlett Mayhew } *Tisbury*

To the Selectmen of the town of Tisbury

The undersigned Legal Voters and Tax payers in the town of Tisbury Respectfully request you to warn the inhabitants qualified to Vote in town affairs to meet at capawock Hall in said Tisbury on Monday the first day of September Next at 2 Oclock P. M for the following purpose

1st to chose a Moderator

2d To see how much bounty the town will pay to Volunteers who shall enlist for Nine Months in the service of the United States under the last call of the president of the United States for three hundred thousand Soldiers to be drafted from the Militia of the several states.

Frederick Manter	Timothy Luce
R W. Crocker	Henry Bradley
John A Swain	W. Crocker
Bartlett Allen	Samuel Andrews
James D Peaks	J K Andrews

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury as directed

Attest J B Nickerson
Constable of Tisbury

A true Copy of Warrant with petition attached and constables returns thereon

Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place specified in the Warrant Meeting called to Order by the town Clerk Henry Bradley chosen Moderator

Voted that the selectmen be instructed to pay 250 dollars or more if necessary to Volunteer that Enlist in the United States Army for Nine Months under the call of the President of the United States

Voted that the selectmen be instructed not to Exceed 300 dollars as a Bounty to the Volunteers that Enlist in the United States army for the 2d quota.

Voted that the town Treasurer be instructed to hire the money if necessary to pay this Bounty for the second quota.

Voted that the committe of the present meeting continue their services to fill the second quota

Voted that Frederick Manter be added to that committe

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Dukes County SS.

To either of the constables of the Town of Tisbury
Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth aforesaid you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in elections to meet at Capawoc Hall in said Tisbury, on Tuesday the fourth day of November next at ten Oclock in the forenoon to bring their Votes to the selectmen for a Governor Lieutenant Governer secretary of the commonwealth, Treasurer and receiver General, an Auditor, an Attorney General for the commonwealth, a councillor for District number Eight a representative to Congress from the first Congressional District, a Senator from the Island District a Representative to the General Court for District number one a District Attorney for the southern District; All on one ballot.

Also to bring in their Votes for one county commissioner, two special commissioners, three commissioners of insolvency and a Sheriff all on one ballot.

The polls for the reception of Votes for all the above named officers will be opened at Ten Oclock in the forenoon and continue to be kept open till one oclock in the afternoon and for such longer time as the majority of the Voters present shall determine

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public Meeting Houses in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, With your doings theron to the selectmen at the time and place appointed for said Meeting.

Given under our hands at Tisbury this 20th day of October 1862

M P. Butler
Jos. S. Adams } *Selectmen of Tisbury*
Bartlett Mayhew 2d

Tisbury November 4th 1862

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have posted up attested copies thereof as directed

RICHARD L HURSEL
Constable of Tisbury

A true Copy of Warrant with constables returns thereon
LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place specified in the Warrant the Warrant was read by the chairman of the Selectmen and the polls Opened at 10 Oclock in the forenoon and Closed at 1 Oclock in the afternoon the Votes were sorted counted and publicly declared and were for the following persons

For Governor

Whole number of Ballots one hundred forty Eight

John A. Andrews of Boston Ninety Two	92
Charles Devens Jr of Worcester fifty Six	56

For Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of Ballots One hundred Forty Eight

Joel Hayden of Williamsburg Ninety two	(92)
Thomas F. Plunkett of Pitsfield Fifty Six	56

For Secretary

Whole number of Ballots one hundred forty Eight

Oliver Warner of Worcester Ninety Two	(92)
Nathaniel P Shurtleff of Boston Fifty six	(56)

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Whole number Ballots One hundred Forty Eight

Henry K Oliver of Salem Ninety two	(92)
Daniel Saunders of Lawrence Fifty Six	56

For Attorney General.

Whole number of Ballots one hundred Forty Eight

Dwight Foster of Worcester Ninety two	(92)
Henry W. Paine of Cambridge Fifty Six	56

For Auditor of Accounts

Whole number of Ballots One hundred forty Eight

Levi Reed of Abington Ninety Two	(92)
Charles Kimball of Ipswich Fifty Six	(56)

For Councillor for District No 8

Whole number Ballots One hundred forty Five

Samuel Orsborn Jr of Edgartown Eighty nine	(89)
Oliver C Swift of Falmouth Fifty Six	56

For Representative to Congress from the first District

Whole number of Ballots one hundred forty three	(143)
Thomas D Elliot of New Bedford Ninety one	91
Daniel Fisher of Edgartown Fifty two	52

For Senator from the Island District

Whole number of Ballots one hundred forty eight	(148)
Nathan Crocker of Barnstable Ninety two	(92)
Edward N. Winslow of Barnstable Fifty six	56

For Representative to the General Court

Whole number of Ballots One hundred forty four	144
William H Sturtevant of Tisbury Eighty seven	87
Abraham Osborn of Edgartown Fifty seven.	(57)

For District Attorney
for the Southern District

Whole number of Ballots one hundred forty five	145
George Maston of Barnstable Eighty Nine	89
Horatio Pratt of Taunton fifty six	56

For County Commissioner

Whole number of Ballots one hundred fifty seven	157
Samuel G. Vincent of Edgartown Ninety five	(95
Joseph T. Pease of Edgartown fifty two	52

For Special Commissioners

Whole number of Ballots One hundred forty five	145
Tristram Cleveland of Edgartown fifty four	54
Austin Smith of Chilmark fifty four	54
Allen Tilton of Chilmark Ninety one	91
Frederic Manter of Tisbury Ninety One	91

For Commissioners of Insolvency

Whole number of Ballots one hundred forty two	142
James Mayhew of Tisbury Ninety two	92
Allen Tilton of Chilmark Ninety one	91
Archabal Mellen of Edgartown Ninety two	92
Tristram Allen of Chilmark One	1
John Balyes of Edgartown fifty one	51

For Sheriff

Whole number of Ballots One hundred forty Eight	148
Silvanus L Pease of Edgartown Seventy three	73
Samuel Keniston of Edgartown Seventy five	75

The polls were closed at 1 Oclock in the afternoon

Attest Lot Luce *Clerk*

At a meeting of the clerks of the towns in District number one, in the county of Dukes County, Assembled for the purpose of ascertaining who was elected Representative to the General Court from said district, find that the whole number of Votes given in at the several meetings in said district, on the fourth day of November A. D. 1862 for a Representative was four hundred fifty four (454)

William H. Sturtevant of Tisbury in said County, had two hundred fifty eight Votes (258)

Abraham Osborn of Edgartown in said County, had one hundred ninety six Votes (196)

Chilmark Nov 5th 1862

BARNARD C MARCHANT *Clerk of Edgartown*
LOT LUCE *clerk of Tisbury*
JOSIAH W TILTON *Clerk of Chilmark*

A true Copy
Attest LOT LUCE
Town Clerk of Tisbury

Dukes County ss

To either of the constables of the town of Tisbury Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet at the agricultural Hall in West Tisbury on Monday the sixth day of April next at 9 oclock A. M. for the purpose of giving in their votes by Ballot for or against the amendment of the constitution of 23d article of the articles of amendment of the constitution of this commonwealth which is as follows to Wit.

No person of Foreign Birth shall be entitled to Vote or shall be eligible to office unless he shall have residence within jurisdiction of the United States for two Years subsequently to his naturalization and shall be otherwise qualified according to the constitution and laws of this commonwealth: provided that this Amendment shall not affect the rights which any person of foreign birth posseses at the time of the adoption thereof and provides further it Shall not affect the rights of any child of a citizen of the United States born during the temporary absence of the parents is wholly annuled

The ballots to be deposited must be as follows. Amendment to the constitution yes or no

And you are to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public Meeting Houses in said Town seven days at least before the time holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings theron to the selectmen at the time and place of Meeting

Given under our hands at Tisbury this 28th day of March A D 1863

M. P. Butler
Jos S Adams
Bartlett Mayhew 2d
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified as directed
Attest J B Nickerson *Constable of Tisbury*

A true Copy of Warrant with constables returns theron
Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Met at the time and place and for the purpose specified warrant read by the chairman of selectmen and polls opened to receive votes at 3 P M the Polls were closed at 3 the votes were sorted counted and publicly declared and wer as follows Viz

Whole number of ballots Thirty	30
Amendment to the constitution	
No Twenty four	24
Amendment to the constitution Yes six	6

County of Dukes County s.s.

To either of the Constibles of the Town of Tisbury in the county of Dukes Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections and town affairs, to meet at Agricultural Hall in said Tisbury on Monday the sixth day of April next at 10 oclock A. M. then and there to act on the following articles

1st To Choose a moderator

2d To choose all necessary Town officers for the Year ensueing

3d To hear the anual report of the selectmen and act thereon.

4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town charges and make appropriation of the same

5th To determine the manner of repairing the Highways Town ways & Bridges the ensueing year

6th To see if the town will vote to abolish the school districts in the town of Tisbury

7th To see if the town will set off James Merry on to the Lambert Cove district

8th to see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for taking care of the town clock on the Methodist Church in Holmes Hole village the ensueing year

9th to raise such sums of money by taxation or otherwise as may be necessary to pay State aid to families of Volunteers in the United States Military Service

Article 10th To see if the Town will accept the road laid out by the selectmen petitioners for by Thomas Bradley and others

11th To see iff the town will accept a road laid out by the selectmen petitioned for by Henry Manter and others.

12th To see if the town will accept a road laid out by the selectmen petitioned for by John F Robinson and others

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at Three of the public Meeting Houses in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands at Tisbury this 25th day of March 1863

M P Butler
Jos S Adams
Bartlett Mayhew 2D
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified the inhabitants as directed

Attest J. B. Nickerson *Constable*

a true Copy of Warrant with constables returns thereon

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place specfied in the Warrant Meeting called to order by the town clerk and proceeded to receive votes as follows

whole number of Votes for Moderator was twenty seven 27

Rodolphos W. Crocker	had	26 votes
Joseph Smith	had	1

Town Clerks vote
whole number of Votes Sixty Six 66
Lot Luce had Sixty 60
qualified and proceeded to duty
Selectmen chosen
Whole number of Votes Eighty four 84
M P Butler had Eighty three 83
Bartlett Mayhew 2d forty four 44
Jos S Adams thirty nine 39
Davis Cottle thirty two 32
J D. Rotch thirty five 35
Lot Luce three 3
Voted not to choose Assessors
Voted to reconsider the Vote not to choose assesors.
Treasurer chosen
whole number of Votes 76
Charles Bradley had 73
Constables chosen
Whole number of Ballots fifty four 54
Richard L Hursel had 40 chosen
Another Constable chosen
Voted to choose one more constable
Joseph B Nickerson had forty two votes and was chosen sworn
Voted to accept the report of the selectmen
One school Committe chosen
whole number of Votes 69
Horatio G Norton had 65 chosen
Fish committe
Whole number of Votes 12
Lot Luce had 12 chosen
B F Smith " 12 chosen
David Smith 12 chosen
Fence Viewers
whole number of Votes 6
Charles Smith had 3 chosen
Tristram Luce had 3 chosen
Allen Look had 3 chosen
Field drivers Thomas Waldron chosen by aclamation
Alfred Clifford
Tristram Luce

Surveyor of Lumber
John W Howland sworn
Hervey Weeks sworn
John F Robinson
Edward Cottle
Pound Keepers
Hilyard Norton
Zadoc Athearn sworn
Health Committe
George T. Hough
Doct Wm Leach
Daniel A Cleaveland
John Holmes Jr
David Smith
Surveyor of Highways
Joseph B Nickerson sworn
Rodolphos W Crocker
George F Baxter sworn
Thaddeus Luce

Voted not to abolish the school districts system in the town

Voted that James Merry be set on to the Lamberts Cove district

Voted to indefinitely postpone the 8th article of the Warrant

Voted that the Treasurer be authorised to hire a sum of money not to exceed 125 dollars pr month to pay the state aid granted to Volunteers

Hog Reeves
Charles Bradley
Presbury L Smith
William Leach
John Holmes Jr

Voted to raise 1800 dollars for schools
1600 " Poor
1600 " Incidental
400 " Highways

Voted that the Treasurer be authorised to hire a sufficient sum of money to meet the Notes that become due at the Merchants Bank New Bedford in September October and November next

Voted that we choose four Surveyors of Highways the ensuing year

Voted that the surveyors of Highways shall notify each tax payer of the town the time and place of working out their tax and the conpensation shall be 10 cts per hour for an man and 12 cts pr hour for a team

Voted that the highway tax be assesed with the other Taxes of the Town.

Voted that the discount of Taxes be the same as Last year

Voted that a discount of 6 pr cent for the prompt payment of taxes be allowed for the first sixty days and a discount of 3 pr cent for 120 days and if sumons are isued after 120 days 20 cents shall be charged in addition to the tax and same paid in to the Treasurer. And the collector Collect all Taxes and pay into the town treasury at such times as the selectmen may direct and a final Payment by the first day of January A D 1864.

Voted to sell the collection of Taxes to the lowest bidder

Sold to J. M. Taber he being the lowest bidder at $^1/_2$ of one pr cent

J M Taber chosen collector of Taxes by acclamation

Voted to accept the road laid out by the selectmen agreeable to the petition of Thomas Bradley and others.

Voted to accept the road laid out by the selectmen agreeable to the petition of Henry Manter and others.

Voted to accept the road as laid out by the selectmen as far as the North East corner of Timothy Luces dwelling house lot, agreeable to petition J. F. Robinson

Voted to appropriate 5,400 dollars for the specific purpose it was raised for by a vote of the town

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Then personally appeared before me Richard L Hursel and made oath to the faithful performance of his duty as constable of Tisbury

Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Dukes County ss

To either of the constables of the town of tisbury in said County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs to meet at Agricultural Hall in said town on Monday the thirteenth day of July next ensueing at two O Clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following Articles

Article 1st to Choose a Moderator

Article 2d to see if the town will accept the List of Jurors as prepared by the selectmen and laid before the town.

Article 3d to see if the town will authorise the town treasurer to hire the sum of two thousand dollars and pay from the same. the Bounties Voted by said Town at a town meeting held August 22d A. D. 1862. to all Volunteers who had enlisted, previous to the date of said meeting from the town of Tisbury in the United States Military services; as Pettioned for by John F Robinson H. W. Beetle S R Tilton James B Robinson Charles Bradley Timothy Luce Charles D Harding William Leach Jas L Skiff and Thomas Bradley

Article 4th To see if the town will vote to raise and pay its proportion of the State Tax apportioned and assessed according to the provisions of sec. 2d and 4th Chap 218 of General Laws of 1863 Entitled an act to provide for the Reimbursement of Bounties paid to Volunteers and assess a tax therefor, in the manner provided in sec 9th of said Chapter 218; and in case the charges exceed its credits that the Treasurer of the Town be authorised to hire money sufficient, and pay such excess To the Treasurer of the Commonwealth; as provided in the aforesaid sec. 9th of chapter 218.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three of the public Meeting Houses in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting aforesaid.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, To the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid

Given under our hands this second day of July In the year one thousand eight hundred and Sixty three.

M P. Butler
Jos S Adams
Bartlett Mayhew 2p.
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Pursuant to the above warrant I have notified as directed

J. B. Nickerson
constable of Tisbury

A true copy of Warrant with constables returns thereon
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the warrant the meeting called to order by the Town Clerk Matthew P. Butler chosen Moderator and sworn.

Voted To authorise the Town Treasurer To hire the sum of Two

Thousand dollars and pay from the same, the Bounties Voted by said town at a town meeting held August 22d A. D. 1862 To all Volunteers who had enlisted previous to that date of said meeting from the town of Tisbury in the United States Army as Petitioned for

Voted To accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the selectmen and laid before the town

Voted that the Town will raise and pay its proportion of the State Tax apportioned and assessed according to the provisions of sec 2d and 4th chap 218 of General Laws of 1863, Entitled an act to provide for the reimbursment of Bounties paid to Volunteers, and assess a Tax therefor in manner provided in sec 9th of said chapter 218; and in case the charges exceed its Credits that the Treasurer of the town be authorised to hire money sufficient, and pay such excess to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth as provided for in the aforesaid sec 9th chap 218

Voted to adjourn without day

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L. Hursel a constable of the Town of Tisbury and upon his producing a Venire from the clerk of the superior court of the commonwealth to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes To select five good and lawful men to serve as Traverse Jurors at said court

The selectmen and Town Clerk met at the Town Clerks office on the 16th day of September 1863 and drew from the Juror Box the following names

John H Lambert
Constant C Downs
Edward Cottle
Allen Look
Benjamin F. Brown

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Dukes County ss

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury. Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in Elections to meet at Agricultural Hall in said Tisbury on Tuesday the third day of November next at ten oclock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the selectmen for a Governor Lieutenant Governor, Secretary

of the Commonwealth. Treasurer and Receiver General Councillor, Auditor of Accounts Senator for the Island district.

a Representative to the General court for District no one and a Register of Probate and Insolvency all on one Ballot.

Also to bring in their Votes for one county Commissioner

The Polls for the reception of Votes for all the above named officers will be open at 10 oclock in the forenoon and continue to be kept open till 12½ oclock in the afternoon, and for such Longer time as the majority of the Voters present shall determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two or more public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place appointed for said meeting

Given under our hands at Tisbury this 23d day of October 1863

Bartlett Mayhew 2D *Selectmen of*
Jos S Adams *Tisbury*

Tisbury Nov 3d 1863

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose specified in the Warrant by posting up attested copies of such Warrant at thre public places in said town on the 26th day of October A D 1863

Richard L Hursel
constable of Tisbury

Met at the time and place for the purpose specified in the Warrant was read by the chairman of Selectmen and the Polls opened to receive Votes at 10 oclock in the forenoon, and the Polls were closed at 1h 30″ oclock in the afternoon The Votes were sorted counted and publicly declared in open Meeting and were as follows Viz

For Governor

whole number of Ballots One hundred	100
John A Andrews of Boston had Seventy	70
Henry W Paine of cambridge Thirty	30

For Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of Ballots One hundred	
Joel Hayden of Williamsburg Seventy	70
Thomas F Plunkett of Pittsfield Thirty	30

For Secretary

Whole number of Ballots One hundred	100
Oliver Warner of Northampton Seventy	70
F. O. Prince of Winchester Thirty	30

For Tresurer and Receiver General

Whole number of Ballots One hundred	100
Henry K Oliver of Salem Seventy	70
Nathan Clark of Lynn Thirty	30

For Councillor for District No 8.

Whole number of Ballots Ninety Eight	98
Samuel Orsborne Ju of Edgartown Sixty Eight	68
Oliver C Swift of Falmouth Thirty	30

For Auditor of Accounts

Whole number of Ballots One hundred	100
Levi Reed of Abington Seventy	70
Moses Bates of Plymouth Thirty	30

For Attorney General

Whole number of Ballots one hundred	100
Dwight Foster of Worcester seventy	70
T. H Sweetzier of Lowell Thirty	30

For Senator from the Island district

Whole number of Ballots One hundred	100
Nathan Crocker of Barnstable seventy	70
John B. Dilling of Sandwich Thirty	30

For Representative to General Court

Whole number of Ballots Ninety Four	94
Wm H Sturtevant of Tisbury Sixty Three	63
James B Robinson of Tisbury Thirty one	31

For Register of Probate and Insolvency

Whole number of Ballots One hundred two	102
Hebron Vincent of Edgartown Seventy Eight	78
William Vinson of Edgartown Twenty four	24

For County Commissioner

Whole number of Ballots One hundred	100
John W Mayhew of Chilmark Fifty Six	56
Thurston W. Tilton of Chilmark Thirty	30
Thomas H Lambert of Chilmark Fourteen	14

At a meeting of the Clerks of the several towns in District number one in the County of Dukes County assembled for the purpose of ascer-

taining who was elected Representative to the General Court for said District find that the whole number of Votes given in at the several meetings in said District on the third day of November A D. 1863, for a Representative was

Three hundred and thirty Eight and were as follows

James B Robinson of Tisbury had
one hundred and fourteen Votes 114

William H. Sturtevant of Tisbury had
two hundred and thirty four votes 234

Chilmark Nov 4th 1863

B. C. Marchant *Clerk of Edgartown*
James N. Tilton *Clerk of Chilmark*
Lot Luce *Clerk of Tisbury*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Dukes county Tisbury December 26 1863.

To Thomas N. Hillman

You are hereby appointed a Police officer by the Selectmen of Tisbury with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executeing civil process and you will hold your Office dureing the pleasure of the Selectmen who has made the appointment

M P Butler } *Selectmen of*
Jos S Adams } *Tisbury*

A true copy
Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Dukes County
Tisbury Mass Decem. 25. 1863.

To Charles D. Harding you are hereby Notified that you have been appointed by the selectmen of Tisbury. a Police Officer with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executeing civil process and you are to hold your Office. during the pleasure of the selectmen by whom you are appointed.

M. P. Butler *Selectmen*
Jos. S Adams *of Tisbury*

a true Copy from the Original Appointment
Attest Lot Luce
Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Dukes County December 30th 1863
The selectmen of Tisbury.

Have appointed Rodolphos W Crocker Joseph T. James J Whelden Holmes Benjamin Clough David Tilton Richard G Luce Thomas C Harding Benjamin C Cromwell Nathan S Smith Charles Holmes Shadrack R Tilton, Thaddeus Luce, Frederic Manter William L. Mayhew George N Peakes and John Buckley, Police officers with all the powers of Constables except the power of serveing and executeing civil process who shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the selectmen by whom they are appointed.

M. P. Butler } *Selectmen*
Jos S Adams } *of Tisbury*

A true copy of the Appointment
Entered on the Records this 31st day of December 1863
Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

To either of the Constables of the town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes county Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to Notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to Meet in Capawoc Hall (Holmes Hole) on Monday the twenty first day of March Instant at Ten oclock in the forenoon, then and there to Act on the following Articles:

1st To Choose a Moderator

2d To Choose all necessary town officers the year ensueing.

3d To hear the anual report of the selectmen and act thereon

4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensueing and make appropiations of the same

5th To determine the manner of repairing Highways Townways and Bridges the ensueing year

And you are directed to serve this warrant with your doings By posting up Attested Copies thereof at three of the Public meeting Houses in said town seven days at Least before the time of holding the meeting aforsaid

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your

doings theron to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as Aforsaid.

Given under our hands and dated Tisbury this 10th day of March In the year eighteen hundred sixty four

M. P. Butler
Jos S. Adams
Bartlett Mayhew 2D
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

Tisbury March 21st 1864

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes specified by posting up Attested Copies of such Warrant as within directed at three public and conspicuous places in said town on the 12th day March 1864

Richard L Hursell
Constable of Tisbury

Met at the time and place specified in the Warrant. Warrant read by the Town Clerk and the meeting called to order and Proceded to receive Votes for Moderator

Whole number of Votes	23
R. W. Crocker had	12
Charles Smith "	10
Votes for Town Clerk whole number	59
Lot Luce had	59 sworn
Voted to Accept the Report of the selectmen	
Votes for Selectmen	109
Charles D Harding had	109 sworn
Bartlett Mayhew 2d "	108 sworn
Henry Bradley	92 sworn
Voted To pay Daniel A Clevelands bill for services recruiting	
Votes for Treasurer whole number	57
Charles Bradley had	56 sworn
Alexander W Smith "	1
Votes for Constable whole number of Votes	36
Richard L Hursel had	36 sworn
Joseph B Nickerson "	36 sworn

Votes for School Committe		62
Alexander W Smith had		42
M. P. Butler "		9
George T. Hough "		8
William Leach		3
Votes for fish committe whole number		22
Lot Luce had		22
David Smith "		22
Benjamin D. Crowell		22
Votes for fence Viewers whole number		23
M P Butler	5	
Charles D Harding	5	sworn
Washington Adams	13	

Field Driver
William Norton chosen by Acclamation
Cornelius Clark and (sworn)
Washington Adams

Surveyors of Lumber
Richard L Hursel sworn
Hervy Weeks sworn

Pound keeper
West Luce 2d sworn
Zadoc Athearn sworn

Health Committe
John Holmes Jr chosen by Acclamation
David Smith
Wm Leach
George T Hough
Joseph S. Adams
Daniel A Cleveland

Voted to choose three surveyors of highways

Joseph B Nickerson had	43	Votes	sworn
Eben Norton	26	"	sworn
Job H Gorham	22	"	sworn

Voted that the Highway Tax be assessed in the Town Tax and that the surveyors of highway alow the inhabitants of the town to work out their tax. All persons wishing to work out their tax shall hand their names to the surveyors, and said Surveyor shall notify such persons and when they work out their Tax they shall be allowed 13 cts pr hour

Prudential Committe Chosen

Joseph B Nickerson for the S. W. District
Isaac Vinsent " N E. "
Ephraim S. Allen " N W "

Voted to Raise 1600 dollars for Public schools
" " " 1500 " " Support of the Poor.
" " " 2500 " " Incidental Expens.
" " " 450 " " Highways & Bridges
" " " 400 " " Remitance of Taxes

Voted To Authorise the Treasurer of the town to Hire Money to the amount of seven thousand five hundred dollars to take up the Notes that become due at the several Banks as the notes become due

Voted. That the Treasurer of the town be authorised to hire the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to pay for State Aid to families of Volunteers in the U S Army

Voted That those persons who wish to work out their highway Tax shall hand in their names to the surveyor

Voted That the discount for prompt payment of Tax be the same as last year with the exception of 30 day instead of Sixty day

Voted to sell collection of Taxes at Auction collection of taxes sold to J. M. Taber at $^3/_4$ of one pr cent he being the lowest bidder.

J. M. Taber chosen collector of Taxes the ensueing year

Voted To Adjourn without day

To either of the Constables of the Town of Tisbury in the County of Dukes county Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qualified to Vote in Elections and in town affairs to meet at Capawoc Hall in said Tisbury on Friday the 25th March Inst at one oclock P M to act on the following Articles.

1st To choose a Moderator

2d To see if the town will appropiate money and how much to aid in recruiting U. S. Volunteers for the Military service. To fill the quota of said town

3d To see if the town will authorise the Town Treasurer to hire money sufficient for such purpose.

And you are directed to Serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at two of the public meeting houses in said town 7 days at least before the time of holding the meeting aforesaid

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town Clerk at the time and place of holding the meeting aforsaid.

Given under our hands and dated at Tisbury this 17th day of March A D 1864

M. P. Butler } *Selectmen*
Jos S Adams } *of Tisbury*

Tisbury March 25, 1864

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Tisbury qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned by posting up attested copies as within directed in two public and conspicuous places in said town on the 18th day of March 1864

Richard L Hursel *Constable of Tisbury*

Tisbury March 17th 1864

To the selectmen of the Town of Tisbury You are respectfully requested to call a meeting of the legal voters of the town of Tisbury for the following purpose

1st To choose a Moderator

2d To see if the town will appropriate money for the purpose of Aiding in recruiting U S Volunteers to fill the quota of this Town

3d To see if the town will authorise the Treasurer to hire sufficient money for such purpose

J. F Robinson	Henry Bradley
H. W. Beetle	Holmes M Athearn
David Tilton	Benjamin D Crowell
Timo Luce	Foster H Jenkins
Hilliard M. Norton	Grafton Luce

The Legal Voters of the Town of Tisbury met at the time and place specified in the warrant Meeting called to order by Henry Bradley Esq Charles Smith was chosen Moderator and J. H. Lambert Town Clerk Pro tem.

Voted That the Town Treasurer be authorised To Hire for the use of the town such sum or sums of money as may be necessary. and that the selectmen apply the same for procuring a sufficient number of men to fill the quota of this town under the last Three Calls of the president of the U S provided the sum shall not exceed 125 dollars for each man Enlisted

Voted

That the selectmen be instructed to present to Our Representative Mr Sturtevant the Views of the said town in regard to the Nine Months Men

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest J H Lambert
Town Clerk Pro tem

Tisbury Selectmens Office March 21st 1864

Capt Willis Howes.

Sir you are hereby appointed as police officer for the Town of Tisbury agreeable to the statues chap 18 sec. 38.

Henry Bradley } *Selectmen*
Chas. D. Harding } *of Tisbury*

A true Copy

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Selectmens Office March 21st 1864

J. T. James

Sir you are hereby appointed as Police Officer for the Town of Tisbury agreeable to the Statues chap 18. sec 38.

Henry Bradley } *Selectmen*
Chas D Harding } *of Tisbury*

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Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Tisbury Selectmens Office March 21st 1864

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Henry Bradley } *Selectmen*
Chas. D. Harding } *of Tisbury*

A true copy

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Selectmens Office Tisbury April 14 1864

We the subscribers selectmen of Tisbury hereby appoint John W. Howland measurer of wood and bark for the year ensueing in said Town

Henry Bradley } *Selectmen*
Chas. D. Harding } *of Tisbury*
Bartlett Mayhew }

A true Copy

Attest Lot Luce *Town Clerk*

Selectmens Office Tisbury April 14 1864

We the subscribers selectmen of Tisbury hereby Appoint Capt Lot Luce Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ensueing in said Town

HENRY BRADLEY
CHAS D. HARDING
BARTLETT MAYHEW 2D
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

A true Copy

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Pursuant to a notice from Richard L Hursel and upon his produceing a Venira from the Clerk of the supreme judicial Court of this commonwealth to be holden at Barnstable within and for the counties Barnstable and Dukes county to select one good and Lawful man to serve as Traverse juror at said court The selectmen and Town Clerk met at the Town Clerks office on the 20th day of April A D. 1864 and drew from the Juror Box The name of Jos S Adams to serve as Traverse Juror at said Court

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Tisbury s.s.

To Richard L Hursel one of the constables of the town of Tisbury Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. You are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Tisbury qulified to Vote, in Town affairs to meet at the Capawock Hall in said Town on Monday the Twenty fifth day of April at two oclock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following Articles; Viz,

1st To choose a Moderator

2d To see if the town will raise by Taxation an amount not to exceed one hundred and Twenty five dollars on each Volunteer to reimburse the citizens who subscribed for the aid of Obtaining Volunteers on our quota for three hundred thousand called by the President.

3d To see if the Town will do away the Liquor Agency and to instruct the Selectmen the way and manner to dispose of the Liquor remaining on hand

4th To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to license one or more dealers in old junk and second hand wares.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in two or more public places in the said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place for holding said meeting

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of April 1864

HENRY BRADLEY
CHAS D HARDING
BARTLETT MAYHEW 2D
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

A true copy of Warrant

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Met at the time and place and for the purposes specified in the Warrant

Henry Bradley chosen Moderator

Voted To assess 2000. dollars Tax on the town to reimburse Citizens that have paid by subscription to procure the quota of this town under the call of the President of the U S for three hundred thousand men

Voted, To lay the 3d article of the warrant on the table.

Voted, That the selectmen be authorised to license one or more persons as Junk Dealers and second hand wares

Voted To Adjourn without day

Town of Tisbury

This is to Certify that Joseph M. Crowell having given Bonds has been duly appointed by the selectmen of Tisbury an agent to Purchase Intoxicating Liquors and to sell the same at Holmes Hole in the Town of Tisbury to be used in the arts or for Medicinal Chemical and Mechanical purposes and no other — under and in conformity with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

This appointment to continue twelve months from the date hereof unless sooner revoked by said selectmen said Agent shall receive a salary of Forty Dollars which shall be in full for his said services and in proportion for a less time

Dated at Tisbury this 2d day of May 1864

HENRY BRADLEY
CHAS D. HARDING
BARTLETT MAYHEW 2D
} *Selectmen of Tisbury*

A true Copy

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Dukes County. s.s. May 6th 1864

Then personally appeared Bartlett Mayhew 2d Henry Bradley Charles D. Harding and made oath to the faithfull performance of their duties as Assesors for the town of Tisbury the ensuing year

Before me

BARTLETT ALLEN

Justice of the peace

A true copy

Attest LOT LUCE *Town Clerk*

Dukes County s.s.

Pursuant to a notice from Joseph B. Nickerson and upon his producing a Venira from the clerk of the Superior Court of this commonwealth to be holden at Edgartown within and for the county of Dukes to select nine good and lawfull men to serve as grand Juror at said court and five of like qualification to serve as Traverse Jurors at said court

The Select men and Town Clerk met at the Town Clerks office on the 17th day of May 1864 and drew from the Juror Box the following names

Grand Jurors

Truman Allen
Josiah H Vincent
Frederic W Manter
Richard W. Coffin
Jared Vincent
Edward Harding
Joseph Luce
Willis Howes

Traverse Jurors

Lot Luce
Samuel Andrews
Benjamin Clough
Edmund Cottle
Joseph Dias

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